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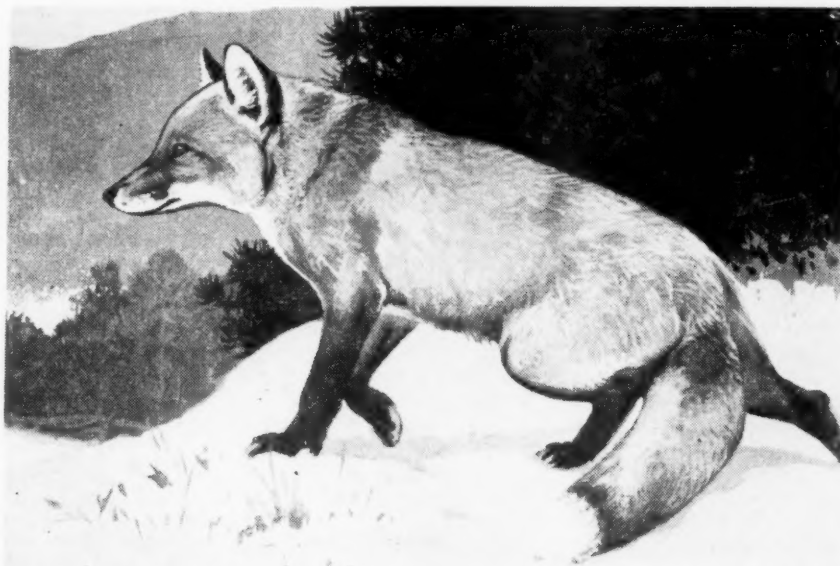
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U. S. E. T. EQUITATION CLASSES

In The Chronicle of January 7th appeared an editorial suggesting a division for junior riders through college age, the events to follow the training program of the U. S. Equestrian Team and to be tried by various horse shows until such time as their acceptance was demonstrated sufficiently to warrant the setting up of such a division by the American Horse Shows Association. The enthusiasm and interest aroused by these suggestions—as indicated by letters published in these columns—indicate that an initial step in this direction might well be taken at the present time.

Of all the events offered to junior riders by the A.H.S.A. the Medal Classes are the most popular. A trip to New York and the chance of winning a national award make a pretty strong combination, one that could easily be extended to what might be called the U.S.E.T. Equitation Classes. These would embody the same general conditions governing Medal Classes; they would be offered only by Recognized Shows granted permission to do so by the A.H.S.A. and open only to Individual Members of the Association; the awards would be presented by the U. S. Equestrian Team, Inc.

As to the conditions of such classes the terms of the Prix Caprilli would seem particularly appropriate. The standards of this event have been fixed by the Federation Equestre Internationale (F. E. I.), represented in this country by the A.H.S.A., which gives them an international standing. The event provides tests for both horse and rider, both of which are scored, as compared to our standard American events which, for some reason, test either one or the other, but not both. It is defined as the "schooling indispensable for the simple practice of modern riding for sport".

The tests include both dressage and jumping, the dressage being at the simplest level and featuring "the control of the horse at natural paces". The rider is scored for ease and correctness and for precision and discretion in the use of aids, while the horse is marked for obedience, accuracy and suppleness in the execution of the school movements involving changes of direction and change of pace.

The same number of points are awarded for jumping as for dressage, half the points being based on the performance of the rider, the other half on the performance of the horse. In addition to the factors mentioned above the rider is scored on the management of his horse and his seat over obstacles, and the horse on handiness, calmness, willingness and smoothness while jumping. Under the scale of faults knock downs are considered much less serious than disobedience, being penalized at 1 point as compared to 2 for a refusal and 3 for a

run-out. From four to ten fences are specified with a maximum height of 3 feet 7 inches and including both spreads and straight fences.

Obviously it would be relatively simple to draw up specifications within the limits of the Prix Caprilli which would be well within the reach of a great number of shows in this country. Such classes would provide an additional and challenging field for our 22 and under riders. They would help dispel the bugaboo about the difficulties of dressage, which have made it difficult to stage Three Day Events. And they would give us a start in the field in which we are now so lamentably weak, competition at the international level.

Letters To The Editor

Interested in Jr. Division

Dear Sir:

I have been receiving The Chronicle for four weeks now and love it. In reading "Letters to The Editor," etc. I have seen, from your January 7 issue, your article on U. S. E. T. Junior Division mentioned several times. I am very interested in this particular phase of riding (after knowing Maj. Burton in Fort Leavenworth last year) and my curiosity pertaining to that article has been thoroughly aroused. If a back issue or the article is available and could be sent, I would be most grateful.

Sincerely yours,

Louisa Booth

Fort Campbell, Ky.
Feb. 19, 1955

Dressage For Hunters

Dear Sir:

Many articles and letters have been written about dressage for hunters. How absolutely true was Al Davis's letter on dressage—trained hunters in England.

Too many people who are too inexperienced and who know too little about ordinary horsemanship are induced to try dressage with the most disastrous results both to themselves and their poor ill-directed horses.

More horses have been driven crazy by incompetent riders trying to teach their horses something that they themselves only have the faintest knowledge of than have ever been improved.

Let our super dressage men play with dressage where it belongs. Rather our hunting people take the trouble to mouth their horses and to work a horse every day in circles and figure eights, and teach them to change leads,—to stop collectively with their heads in the right place—their hocks under them, to respond to the leg and to have a light mouth, yet doing all this without getting upset, cool and calmly. Show me a horse and rider that can open a five barred field gate and close it properly, and I'll show you a horse that has all the dressage and manners that you'll ever need in the hunting field. No matter how brilliant a horseman you are, if your horse is

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RacingA SECTION
DEVOTED TO THE INTERESTS
OF THE TURF**Racing Review****Virginia Bred Roman Patrol Wins
Louisiana Derby by Four Lengths****Raleigh Burroughs**

Because of the sportwriter's struggle to avoid repetitions of words, he searches unceasingly for synonyms. If no substitute word exists he invents terminology, descriptive of the person, place or thing about which he is writing. Particularly apt or euphonious vocabularies, or clusters thereof, find permanent place in the jargon of sport.

Where would the baseball writer be without "circuit clout"? Or how could a boxing writer do a piece on Joe Lewis without "Brown Bomber"? A Turf scribe would be handcuffed at Louisville if "Run for the Roses" were declared ineligible.

I think Bill Corum thought that one up and he started a trend. Turf publicists, who are on the alert for any feeble spark that can be fanned into a conflagration of propaganda, grabbed hold and soon horses were running for a vast assortment of flora.

Just about the time things were getting out of hand, the Detroit people came up with a nickname for their new Michigan Mile. "The Run for the Gladoli" they decided to call it, and it's a good thing they did. Even a publicity director could see that this was as far as you could go.

Though previous damage can't be rectified, a malignant growth has been checked. In newly inaugurated events, even though flowers may be involved in winner's circle celebrations, horses are running for more practical things, like money.

Alternate nomenclature, or identity by association, however, always will be a part of Thoroughbred racing. At the zoo, when a child spots a flamingo, right away he asks, "Where are the horses?" because he thinks he's at Hialeah.

Pimlico still is called "Old Hilltop," though there hasn't been a hill in the immediate vicinity since Alfred Vanderbilt removed the one in the infield, feeling that the customers would rather see the horses going down the backstretch than a lump of dirt.

Rockingham is "The Rock"; Tropical Park is "The Gables Track"; a dozen places are known as "The Downs"; several are termed, sentimentally, "The Graveyard of Favorites," and Saratoga is called "The Spa."

Palm trees, as well as flamingoes, are associated with Hialeah; water skis and orchids, as well as palm trees, are associated with Gulfstream; foreign diplomats go with Laurel; the Goose Girl (with geese) belongs to Hollywood Park, and Doc Strub is associated with Santa Anita.

Bowie, in years gone by, was known as "The Track in the Pines" and was associated with come-back money. Today a new "theme" is gaining substance, and it would not surprise me a bit if future

generations call the place "The Course With The Outboard Cruiser in the Infield". That's what they've got; and even more impressive than the decoys of other seasons is the neat white craft, complete with galley, "head" and sleeping accommodations for two.

There is considerable mystery surrounding the vessel and how it got there. Several hypotheses have been advanced. One is that some fellow mistook the Patuxent River for the Inland Waterway and was going too fast to stop; another that it's a "hot" job, abandoned by a ring of outboard boat thieves; still another, that it came in through seepage. All these theories, obviously, were spawned in the minds of land-lubbers.

In an effort to solve the case of the mysterious outboard cruiser, I questioned Mr. Howard Pierce, general manager of Bowie. Succinctly, he stated that he had sought a canoe for an infield ornament, had been unsuccessful in his search, and that the boat in the lake was not his.

This would have sent away most reporters in search of clues elsewhere, but I know a few things about Mr. Pierce, and can draw certain conclusions therefrom. I know, for instance, that Mr. Pierce owns a yachting cap, a pair of white shoes and a boat complete with galley, "head" and sleeping accommodations for two, and that mine will run rings around it.

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Also, I know that Mr. Pierce, on a fair Sabbath, likes nothing better than an icebox full of steaks and beer on a remote bar (sand) in the Chesapeake Bay. Mr. Pierce does not, particularly, care for fishing.

Where then, could one find a better place for a cruising-eating-drinking man, who does not fish, than on Lower Lake Bowie?

I have a feeling that one of these Sundays, when no hurricane warnings are up, Mr. Pierce will be trudging across the greensward, with icebox on one broad shoulder and outboard motor on the other. After an exhilarating cruise across the broad stretch of water, he will debark on the other shore, broil his steaks and **really live**. As the day wanes, he will make the return voyage and anchor once again in the shadow of the tote board, full of steaks, beer and the feeling the brotherhood for the sea—Mare Nostrum.

Some Sunday, when the wind is right, I plan to hide behind one of those edge hedges that line the infield walking strip and check for myself.

Bowie

The Miss Maryland Stakes, 1st running, 5½ furlongs, 3-year-old fillies (March 9). Bowie officials were pleased

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PIEDMONT POINT-TO-POINT

To be run over a flagged course at Rokeby Farm,
Upperville, Va.

Saturday, March 26th, 2:00 P. M.

1st Race — Rokeby Challenge Bowl. Race for Gentlemen. Weight 175 lbs. The Rokeby Bowl to be presented to the owner of the winner, to be held for one year; a piece of plate also to be presented outright to the owner of the winner. The Bowl to be kept outright if won three times by the same owner, not necessarily consecutively, and not necessarily with the same horse. -----About 4¼ miles

2nd Race — Race for Ladies. Side-saddle or astride. Minimum weight 145 lbs. Minimum of four starters to constitute race. A piece of plate to be presented to the owner of the winner. -----About 3½ miles.

1. No horse which has raced under Jockey Club or N. S. H. A. Rules during the year prior to this race shall be eligible.
2. Any horse must have been Regularly and Fairly hunted during this season.
3. All riders regular followers of a Recognized Hunt, acceptable to Committee.

Entries close with Mrs. Earl Dawson, Middleburg Saddlery,

Middleburg, Va. on or before Saturday Midnight, March 19th.

No Post Entries.

THE CHAMPION FIELD HUNTER OF VIRGINIA HUNTER TRIAL
will follow point-to-point.

Racing Review

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with the way things went on opening day, but it was a big disappointment to me—I couldn't go.

Happiest people in the park were the discriminating few who fixed upon R. H. Ellis' **Miss Balladier** as their selection for the Miss Maryland, because Miss Balladier won and paid \$166.20 on each two-dollar share in the mutuels pool.

Sue Pat, the favorite, ripped off some fast early furlongs, with Piedmont Lady and Royal Indian furnishing the opposition. Nimble Doll ranged up after half a mile, displaced Sue Pat and hit the eighth pole a head in front. Lady Balladier was moving well by this time and came though on the rail to win by a nose. Flat Side, got up for third. She missed catching Nimble Doll by two lengths, and had a head advantage over Wagon Drill, fourth to finish.

Piedmont Lady and Royal Indian backed up fast in the last quarter.

Hartack, on Nimble Doll, claimed a foul against the winner, but it was not allowed. Cutshaw rode Lady Balladier.

The daughter of With Pleasure, from Murladier, by Balladier, was making her first start for 1955 and her trainer, H. E. Ellis experienced his first victory thrill. The race was worth \$11,900.

Last season, as a two-year-old, the filly won \$9,400, with 2 wins, 5 seconds and 2 thirds in 17 starts.

She was bred by Mr. Tollie Young and brought \$700 at Keeneland in 1953.

The Burch Memorial Handicap, 17th running, 6 furlongs, 3-year-olds and up (March 12). Racetracks would be doing the humane thing if they could find some way to soften the blow in cases of disqualification, especially, when the element of surprise enters and people who aren't even worrying about the outcome find they haven't got the money they had just allocated to certain creditors.

A little, well-drafted speech by announcer Raymond Haight, might not be amiss. "We know your fibre," Mr. Haight could begin. "We've seen you here when the blasts of winter chill and the snows of spring have made the roads hazardous. We know you are of the stuff that fights on in the face of adversity. We are speaking, particularly, to those who wagered on Ifabody. We should like to remind these unfortunates that they still have the eighth in which to get even, that the mutuels windows are open; and please throw worthless tickets into the repositories that were conveniently placed for the purpose."

THEN the numbers could come down. Ifabody ran a brilliant race and it was a brilliant race and it was a pity to see him disqualified.

He was in next to last position in the nine-horse field for half a mile, then Blum took him to the inside and drove though to win drawing out by a length and a half.

Brazen Brat, the official winner, also turned in a creditable performance. Making her first 1955 start, the seven-year-old mare stayed just back of the first three as Nick Jimmie, Kinda Smart and Old Glendale battled for the lead.

At the stretch, Kinda Smart was in front by half a length, Nick Jimmie was second by the same margin and Brazen Brat was third.

Cutshaw, Candle Wood's rider, charged that Kinda Smart and Brazen Brat had roughed him up, but after a study of the pictures, the stewards decided that Ifabody had caused the trouble. So Brazen Brat was declared the winner,

Kinda Smart placed second, Candle Wood third and Ifabody fourth.

The value of the race was \$7,260 to the winner.

Brazen Brat, by Sky Raider—Geraldine, by Stimulus, won 7 races in 16 tries last season, she was second once, and third twice and earned \$52,150. Her stakes wins were in the Capitol, Rowe Memorial and Regret Handicaps.

Mrs. Samuel M. Pistorio owns the mare, and J. Bowes Bond trains her.

Fair Grounds

The Louisiana Derby, 30th running, 1½ miles, 3-year-olds (March 12). Pin Oak Farm's **Roman Patrol** continued his climb to eminence by neatly wrapping up the Louisiana Derby by four lengths in 1:49½. This is one-fifth slower than the course record but a full second better than the mark for the event.

Speed Rouser was second and Porter-sville was third.

Blue Quest set the early pace, with Speed Rouser hard by and Roman Patrol next in line. Blue Quest soon opened up a lead of four lengths and went down the backstretch showing the way. Speed Rouser began to move near the far turn and displaced Blue Quest in the curve for home. About that time, Doug Dodson, on Roman Patrol, went into action. A slap or two with the whip sent the colt to the front and a little encouragement from his rider caused him to draw away in the last sixteenth.

Prince Noor and Kabob, members of the Hasty House Farm entry, showed little, finishing ninth and tenth.

The Derby prize amounted to \$34,175 and gives Roman Patrol \$38,379 for 1955. He is undefeated in 3 starts. Last year his record was perfect except for a defeat in the Garden State. The son of Roman—Karakal, by Psychic Bid, won 4 out of 5 including the Remsen Stakes and \$45,500.

Mrs. Burnett Robinson (formerly Josephine Abercrombie) owns Pin Oak Farm. J. H. Pierce is her trainer.

Mrs. G. P. Greenhalgh bred Roman Patrol. The colt brought \$18,000 in the Saratoga Sales of 1953.

The New Orleans Handicap, 28th running, 1½ miles, 3-year-olds and up (March 5). The New Orleans Handicap brought another big payoff to Hasty House Farm. With **Sea O Erin** and Mister Black running for them, Mr. and Mrs. Allie Reuben seemed to have a strong entry, but the crowd let it get away at 4 to 1, making M. E. Affeld's pair of Spur On and Two Fisted the choice at a little less than two.

Sea O Erin raced into the lead soon after the break, with Sub Factor and Bobby Brocato trying to keep up with him. With three-eighths of a mile to go, Bobby Brocato had narrowed the lead to half a length but he couldn't stay. Sam Tufano's Wise Margin came through to take second place. Sea O Erin just lasted to save first money by a head. Spur On finished well, after lying behind the pace, but didn't have quite enough at the weights to catch the front two. He was a neck behind the place horse and 1½ lengths before Mister Black at the finish.

Spur On was high-weighted at 121. Sea O Erin carried 114, Wise Margin 115.

The \$44,300 to the winner brought Sea O Erin's 1955 total to \$62,200. He won

the Royal Palm Handicap at Hialeah and one other race and has been third once in 7 starts.

The son of *Shannon II—*Chantress, by Hyperion won 4 races in 21 starts last year. He was second in 3 and third in 4. His earnings amounted to \$63,227. Stakes accounted for in 1954 were the Fountain of Youth and Peabody Memorial Handicaps.

Harry Trotsek trains for Hasty House and Kenny Church rode in the New Orleans.

Sea O Erin was bred by Miss Margaret Woolwine.

Gulfstream

The Hutcheson Handicap, 1st running, 6½ furlongs, 3-year-olds (March 9). Clipping four-fifth of a second off the 6½-furlong record and placing the new mark at 1:16½, **Nance's Lad** drove to a smart victory in the first running of the Hutcheson Handicap.

The three-year-old son of Slide Rule—Nance's Ace, by Case Ace, had finished sixth in the Everglades a few weeks earlier and second to Boston Doge in the Bahamas before that.

Craigwood, the favorite, went out to show the way at the beginning, with Some Question doing the pushing. The latter ran into interference about half way of the race, was pulled up, and didn't get going again.

Nance's Lad moved up to second at the half mile and was leading by a head going into the last eighth. By that time Rouge Falcon had moved through to get

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Blue Ridge Hunt Point-To-Point

Woodley Farm, Berryville, Va., Scene Of Excellent Spring Race Program

Warm spring weather, good racing and the Smithwick brothers dominated the card for the Blue Ridge Hunt Point-to-Point's annual outing Saturday, March 12th.

Five starters went to the post for the Clifton Cup for ladies and they began the day with a sterling performance. Barbara Graham on North Hill Stables' Hamadan and Mrs. Dulany (Sally) Randolph on her brother's Good Ship got away on top with Mrs. Greenaway on Redmond, Miss Patty Weymouth on Figstarsom and Miss Laura Lee Shreve on Arzen following in that order over the first fence. Redmond and Hamadan then drew away from the rest of the field jumping brilliantly as a pair for the next half dozen fences with Good Ship and Figstarsom coming together some ten odd lengths behind, and Arzen bringing up the rear. Redmond and Hamadan set a hot pace and three fences from home Hamadan hit hard losing Miss Graham, Good Ship and Figstarsom came on to pass the tiring Redmond. In an exciting drive to the finish Figstarsom pulled away from Good Ship to win with hard riding on the part of both girls. That left Redmond third and Arzen 4th.

Six starters answered the call for the four mile novice race and at the start Mrs. George Ohrstrom's Lord Mildmay with W. Carter up took command and led the field by some twenty lengths, with Russell Arundel's *Journey, P. Smithwick up and Friendship Farms' Pie Plate, Bob Moss up, giving closest chase. Over the twelfth it was still Lord Mildmay out in front with *Journey and Mrs. A. C. Randolph's Essex, Mike Smithwick up, beginning to close the gap. Pie Plate blundered and fell and Mr. Dallam's Cactus Foot moved into contention. At the top of the hill Carter cut the flag and by the time he got Lord Mildmay back on course *Journey, Essex and Cactus Foot had too much lead to make up. *Journey and Essex jumped the last fence together and Paddy and Mike had a real run to the wire. *Journey winning by a scant nose, Cactus Foot was third and Lord Mildmay fourth.

The combination hunter race, 4½ miles over the flagged course, drew 5 starters and Joe Rogers went to the front with his last week's winner, Star Salome, followed by Cyrus Manierre on Charoton and Mallory Nash on Detour. After the first few fences Paddy Smithwick on Laura Franklin's Gliding Slide moved into third position and Stewart Treviranus on Rustum brought up the rear. Detour and Star Salome set the pace for the next two miles with Gliding and Charoton staying within striking distance. At the seventeenth the field was bunched and Detour faded back, Star Salome and Gliding Slide made a strong drive to the finish, Gliding Slide outfooting Rogers game mare in the final burst, giving Paddy Smithwick his second winner of the day. Charoton was a good third.

Five starters answered the call for the heavyweight race with Lowell Riley's Lancer, Tom Caulk up and Chummy owned and ridden by Peter Winant getting away on top, followed by Col. Russell on his Lippen Fencer and Rege Vickers on his Old Crow, who was left at the start. Shoal and Courtney Jenkins came

to grief over the first fence, which left the remaining four starters. Old Crow was pulled up on the second round leaving Lancer, Lippen Fencer and Chummy to complete the course, which they did in that order. Lancer winning by some 15 lengths.

The Joseph Lewis Memorial feature race of the day proved well worth waiting for sending five starters to the post. Laddie Murray on Cyrus Manierre's Uncle Pierre, Grover Stephens on Melville Bearn's Credo, and Mike Smithwick on John Shaw's Highest Award went away on top together with Bill Cunningham on D. W. Patterson's Tamer and Laurence Miller on Bones close behind. After the first few fences Credo and Highest Award drew away followed by Tamer, Uncle Pierre, and Bones, continuing in this order until the eighth fence which had a drop on the far side. Credo and Highest Award jumped spectacularly together standing off from here to yonder, but on landing Credo hit a boggy spot, knuckled over and fell. Uncle Pierre following close behind the leaders just missed landing on Stephen's and Tamer was upset on landing by Credo struggling to rise. No one hurt fortunately and Highest Award went on to win with Uncle Pierre a good second and Bones 3rd., thus giving the Smithwick brothers their third win of the afternoon. —E. P.

SUMMARIES

THE CLIFTON CUP, for ladies, abt. 3¼ mi., tim. Minimum weight 145 lbs. Winner: b. g. (6)

by Figaro—Vestarsome, by Vesington Star. Breeder: C. F. Gailey, (Ire.).

1. *Figstarsom, (Patty Weymouth), Miss Patty Weymouth.
2. Good Ship, (F. P. Sears, Jr.), Mrs. Dulany Randolph.
3. Redmond, (Leon Greenaway), Mrs. Leon Greenaway.
- 5 started; 4 finished; also ran (order of finish): Allan Shreve's Arzen, Miss Laura Lee Shreve; lost rider; North Hill Stable's Hamadan, Miss Barbara Graham. Scratched: Tamer.

THE NOVICE, abt. 4 mi., tim. Minimum 175 lbs. For horses which have been regularly and fairly hunted during the current season and which have never won a race over jumps. Winner: b. g. (6) by *Waiting Street—Rose of Portugal, by Beaudelaire. Breeder: J. V. Rank, (Eng.).

1. *Journey, (Russell Arundel), A. P. Smithwick.
2. Essex, (Mrs. A. C. Randolph), D. M. Smithwick.
3. Cactus Foot, (K. Dallam), J. Aitcheson.
- 6 started; 5 finished; also ran (order of finish): G. L. Ohrstrom's Lord Mildmay, W. Carter; Joseph Richardson III's Bonny Scot, Mr. Joseph Richardson III; fell: Friendship Hill Farm's Pie Plate, Bob Moss. Scratched: Shoal.

COMBINATION HUNTER RACE, abt. 4½ mi., tim., Minimum 175 lbs. For horses which have been regularly and fairly hunted during the current season. Winner: b. g. (7) by Swing and Sway—Three Nines, by Sun Circle. Breeder: G. L. Stryker.

1. Gliding Slide, (Laura Franklin), A. P. Smithwick.
2. Star Salome, (Dr. J. M. Rogers), Dr. J. M. Rogers.
3. Charoton, (Cyrus Manierre), Mr. Cyrus Manierre.
- 5 started and finished; also ran (order of finish): Mallory Nash's Detour, Mr. Mallory Nash; Stewart Treviranus' Rustum, Mr. Stewart Treviranus. Scratched: Lancer, Old Crow, Bones Redmond.

HEAVYWEIGHT RACE, abt. 4 mi., Minimum weight 200 lbs. For horses which have been regularly and fairly hunted during the current season. Winner: b. g. (8) by Teddy's Comet—War Grey, by Man o'War. Breeder: Walter M. Jeffords.

1. Lancer, (Col. Lowell Reilly), Mr. Tom Caulk.
2. Lippen Fencer (Col. J. Russell), Col. J. Russell.

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3. Chummy, (Peter Winant), Mr. Peter Winant 5 started; 3 finished; also ran: fell: Courtney Jenkins' Shoal, Mr. Courtney Jenkins; pulled up: Reginald Vickers' Old Crow, Mr. Reginald Vickers. No Scratches.

THE JOSEPH W. LEWIS MEMORIAL, abt 3 mi. For members of a recognized hunt. Winner: br. g. (8) by *Rhodes Scholar—My Bonnie, by Gallant Fox. Breeder: A. B. Hancock.

1. Highest Award, (John K. Shaw, Jr.), D. M. Smithwick

2. Uncle Pierre, (Cyrus Manierre), B. H. Murray.

3. Bones, (L. Miller), Mr. Lawrence Miller.

5 started; 3 finished; also ran: fell: Melville Bears' Credo, Grover Stephens; Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Patterson's Tamer, Mr. Bill Cunningham. Scratched: Gliding Slide, Chummy.

Blue Ridge Hunter Pace Event

The second annual Hunter Pace Event was held at 12:30 P. M. on Saturday March 12th preceding the Blue Ridge Point-to-Point meeting at Woodley Farm near Berryville, Va. Seventeen pairs were timed over the course of 5.48 miles measured in advance with a surveyor's wheel. The time standard was set two hours before the event when Howard Gardner and Jack Bruce, huntsmen of the Blue Ridge and Rappahannock Hunts respectively, rode over the course, their separate times being combined for an average of 23 minutes and 20 seconds. Neither of the above figures were announced however, the only information made public being the number of miles per hour at which horses should travel (14.1).

Contestants rode over much the same course as last year near the start and finish, but the major part of the route was over new ground. It included two short pieces of gravel road, a wheat field which had to be circumvented, about 5 miles of old Bluegrass sod and 22 obstacles mostly stake and rail fences with a few stone walls, a snake fence and a chicken coop. Many of the fences were placed so as to require a handy well-collected horse, and the terrain was decidedly rolling. Pairs were despatched at 5 minute intervals and were stopped for 2 minutes at each of 2 check points. All sorts of horses were represented, small ponies, cold blooded hunters, show horses and a few point-to-point horses being given a preliminary school—and all had an entirely equal chance.

Somehow the word got around that the test riders had set rather a slow pace. In consequence most of the contestants took their time. Ricard Ohrs-trom, on his father's hunter Biggie, having just got off the train from New York and being therefore ignorant of all this inside dope, let his horse roll, being closely followed by his partner Kathleen McKinney on Halethorpe. In consequence he took the individual prize with a time of 24 minutes and 5 seconds, while the combination took the pair prize. From the riders as a whole came the constantly repeated comment that the course was a lot of fun to ride over and that they would be back again next year.

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53rd Running

GRAND NATIONAL POINT-TO-POINT

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8th Running

Foxhunters Challenge Cup

Saturday, April 23rd, 1955

Butler, Maryland

Post Time: 3:00 P.M.

Grand National: Abt. 3 miles over natural hunting country. Weight: 165 lbs. 4-year-olds allowed 5 lbs. No other allowances. Owners, *riders and horses acceptable to the Committee.

Western Run Plate: Abt. 3 miles over natural hunting country, including most of the Grand National Course. No fence to exceed 4'-0". Maidens only. Weight: 165 lbs. No other allowances.

*In determining whether a rider is "acceptable to the committee" the following general rules will apply:

- rider is holder of amateur certificate from the National Steeplechase and Hunt Assn. or is eligible for the same.
- rider not holding amateur license from the National Steeplechase and Hunt Assn., but who is a member of a recognized hunt club, and whose avocation is fox hunting for pleasure and who, although he may derive his livelihood from horse activities, does not accept pay for riding in races; may be permitted to ride. It is to be understood in good faith that no riders shall be paid either directly or indirectly for riding in the Grand National Point-to-Point or the Western Run Plate.

Foxhunters Challenge Cup: Same Course as the Western Run Plate. Weight 185 lbs. Owners must be members of, or a subscriber to, a recognized Hunt Club. Horses to have been hunted regularly, and to be ridden in colors or pink by their owners, or members of owners' immediate family over sixteen years of age.

Trophies to Winners and Riders of Winners

Owner of Grand National winner to have possession for one year of the William F. Cochran, Jr. Memorial Challenge Cup.

The committee reserves the right to cancel the Western Run Plate or The Foxhunters Challenge Cup midnight, Saturday, April 16th in the event of insufficient entries. However, all entries and fees will be acceptable for the Grand National Point-to-Point. In case of cancellation entrance fee will be refunded if owner does not wish to run in Grand National or to run maidens in Western Run Plate.

Entrance fee: \$10 for each race

Entries close midnight Saturday, April 16 with

H. Robertson Fenwick, Secretary

Glyndon, Maryland

Phone: Reisterstown 1081-W

(Under sanction of the National Steeplechase & Hunt Assn.)

The Clubhouse Turn



Zink Recovering from Surgery

Fred Zink, Sergeant at Arms of the Thoroughbred Club of America, is recovering at his Lexington, Ky., home after recent surgery.

TCA Nominees

Ira Drymon, operator of Gallaher Farm, Lexington, Ky., has been nominated for President of the Thoroughbred Club of America. He held the post in 1942-43.

Two other Lexington breeders have been nominated for Vice-President: John H. Clark, owner of Tattenham Corner; and Duval Headley, owner of Manchester Farm.

Gus Owens and Fred Zink, both of Lexington, have been nominated to succeed themselves as Secretary-Treasurer and Sergeant at Arms, respectively.

Seven directors will be selected at the March 19 election from the following list: Charles A. Asbury, owner of Hedge-wood Stud, Lexington; Dan Bowmar, Business Manager of **The Blood-Horse**, Lexington; William S. Evans, General Manager of Breeders' Sales Co., Inc., Lexington; Olin Gentry, Manager of Dan and Ada Rice's Danada Farm, Lexington; Arnold Hanger, co-owner of Arlington Farm, Richmond, and Hartland Farm, Versailles; Charles A. Kenney, Manager of Mrs. John D. Hertz's Stoner Creek Stud, Paris; Freeman Keyes, owner of Reverie Knoll Farm, Danville; Dr. William McGee, Lexington veterinarian; Alfred Nuckols, co-owner of Hurstland Farm, Midway; George Swinebroad, Lexington auctioneer; Carter Thornton, owner of Threave Main Stud, Paris; and P. A. B. Widener III, owner of Elk Hill Farm, Lexington.

Lab to Expand Again

Two more technicians will probably soon be added to the staff of the Crown Crest Laboratories, to handle the increasing business of the Lexington, Ky., organization founded by Howard Reine-man.

Dr. Harthill Charged in Louisiana

Dr. Alexander Harthill, Louisville veterinarian, and two other men were arrested last week at the Fair Grounds in connection with an alleged stimulation-and-bribery case.

He was charged with drugging a horse and attempted public bribery. Trainer Harvey Vanier, Hopkins, Mo., was also charged with drugging; and Cassius Clay,

Director of the Food and Drug Division of the Louisiana State Department of Health, was also charged with attempted bribery.

State police announced a fourth man was still being sought as this report is written.

The case involves the report stimulation of Mrs. L. E. Vanier's Smasher, who finished first in the eighth race on Feb. 26. Mr. Clay is alleged to have tried to bribe technicians at Shilstone Laboratories, which performs the drug tests at the Fair Grounds, to destroy samples taken from horses.

This is the second time in less than seven months that Dr. Harthill has been involved in a stimulation case. Last August he administered medication to Hasty House Farm's "Mister Black" a few days before the Grassland Handicap, in which that Argentine-bred finished first but was disqualified after a positive drug finding. Dr. Harthill was suspended by the Illinois Racing Commission for having failed to report his treatment to the stewards, as required by Illinois racing rules; but the veterinarian obtained a court injunction which permitted him to continue his practice.

In New Orleans, Spencer Drayton, head of the Thoroughbred Racing Protective Bureau, reported that Dr. Harthill had been under TRPB surveillance since the stimulation of Tonight, trained by Elmer Kalensky, at Keeneland last spring.

Brown Sells Building for \$7,100,000

J. Graham Brown, owner of Brown Hotel Farm, Louisville, last week sold the still uncompleted 21-story Martin Brown Building to the Commonwealth Life Insurance Co. for \$7,100,000. The sale, vigorously denied three days before when a Louisville radio station broke the story, was one of the largest real-

STAKES CLOSING DATES



A weekly reminder of the closing dates for nominations and payments to the principal events of North America

The following data has been supplied by the racing associations. In consequence **The Chronicle** cannot assume responsibility for its accuracy or for last minute changes.

MARCH

3-year-olds and up

23 THE SPRINGFIELD HANDICAP, \$10,000 purse. 3-year-olds and up. 1½ miles. **Lincoln Downs**. To be run March 26.

30 THE NEWPORT HANDICAP, \$10,000 purse. 2-year-olds and up. 7 furlongs. **Lincoln Downs**. To be run April 2.

TRACK ADDRESSES

LINCOLN DOWNS—Racing Secretary. Burrillville Racing Association, Lincoln, R. I.

estate transaction in the history of Falls City.

Mrs. Davidson "Woman of Year"

Mrs. Arthur H. Davidson, wife of a Lexington, Ky., veterinarian, was named Lexington's "Woman of the Year" last week by Chi Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi. She was awarded a silver cup emblematic of her selection by a secret judging committee from nominations submitted by public ballot.

Besides keeping house and raising four
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Timothy John O'Toole McGuire Murphy, great Irish gentleman steeplechase rider, sportsman, cock fighting enthusiast, long distance bog trotter and poacher says: "I insist on good blood and the best of breeding in my horses, fighting chickens and any of my other many endeavours. It pays to breed to the best".

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The Clubhouse Turn

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children, Mrs. Davidson has been Superintendent of the Sunday School kindergarten at her church for 10 years, President of the Fayette County PTA Council for four years and Chairman of her church circle for two years. A member of the Seventh District PTA Board, she helped organize the PTA Mothers Singers. When Bryan Station School lacked a music teacher, she accepted the post without pay. She serves as accompanist in county school activities and State music contests, and this year was Co-Chairman of the Instrumental Music Contest sponsored by the Lexington Woman's Club. In 1953, Governor Lawrence Wetherby appointed Mrs. Davidson a member of the Minimum Foundation for Education Committee for Lexington. She is also a volunteer worker for the Lexington-Fayette County Tuberculosis Association, the March of Dimes, the Red Cross and United Community Services.

A native of Harrodsburg, he was educated at Millersburg Military Institute and at Iowa State University. He served with the First Division in France during World War I.

For 25 years he was a member of the University of Kentucky faculty in the Colleges of Agriculture and Home Economics, and for 15 years he directed radio programs presented by the College of Agriculture. A few years ago he retired from the university post to devote full time to his grain company, in which his son, Robert M. Brewer, was associated.

Lawrence Brewer was one of the leaders of the group that established riding stables and trails at Blue Grass Park, Lexington.

—Frank Talmadge Phelps

Tossed Coin

The filly Jack Ward purchased last year at Saratoga from Morven Stud for \$4,000, a bay by Occupy—Exciting, by Stimulus, has been named Tossed Coin by her owner. Tossed Coin and the 3-year-old Tuck Me In, Lovely Night—

The Preakness

The 1955 Preakness, which will be run at Pimlico on May 28 for a purse of \$100,000 added, attracted a record high of 152 nominations. The announcement was made by the Maryland Jockey Club. Reflecting the nationwide interest in Baltimore's Triple Crown turf event, the nominations originated in 23 different states, the District of Columbia, Canada and Mexico.

Heading the list of candidates for the 79th running of Pimlico's richest stakes are Nashua and Summer Tan. These two were the juvenile champions of last season and between them accounted for the top Eastern classics. In addition most of the other ranking two year olds of 1954 have been nominated for the Preakness including the winners of 46 American stakes. Collectively last year Preakness nominees earned approximately \$1,500,000 in stakes races.

The most liberal nominator was Elizabeth Arden's Maine Chance Farm with eight candidates.

The Preakness, as usual, will be for



(Top) The Field going into the stretch in the New Orleans 'Cap, at the Fair Grounds. At this point Sea O Erin, (on the outside) is in the lead, Bobby Brocato (on the rail) is second, and Wise Margin is 3rd. At the finish (left) it was Hasty House Farms' Sea O Erin by a head, Samuel Tufano's Wise Margin, 2nd by a neck, with M. E. Affeld's Spur On 3rd.

(Fair Grounds Photo)

London Dies

Jack London, 59, assistant chart caller on the **Daily Racing Form** crew at Kentucky, Illinois and Michigan tracks, died last week of a heart attack in a Clearwater, Fla., hospital. A turf correspondent since his youth, he had also served in the publicity departments of several tracks. A tiny fellow who seemed dwarfed by the huge cigar that was as much a part of his habiliments as his shirt, he had a hilarious fund of racing yarns and a keen knack of relating them. He was one of the most popular press-box dwellers at the Midwestern courses.

Lawrence Brewer Dies

Lawrence C. Brewer, 59, owner of Lawrence Brewer & Son Grain Co., Lexington, Ky., and President of the National Hay Association, Inc., died unexpectedly last week at his Lexington home. His firm, one of the largest of its type in Central Kentucky, supplied oats, feed, grain, hay and straw to many breeding farms.

Night Heron, by *Tourist II are now being galloped over the ½ mile track at Ward Acres Farm, New Rochelle, N. Y., before being turned over to Trainer M. J. Bresnahan, Jr. who will campaign them in New Jersey this year.

Monmouth Park's Film

There have been several showings locally of the new racing film made by Monmouth Park. It is to be shown all over the country very soon, and should not be missed. Written by G. Barker Seeley, head of Monmouth Park's publicity department with commentary by Bill Stern, and "starring" Tommy Harraway, who will no doubt be the recipient of much fan mail because of it, the film runs for about a half-hour.

In wonderful color, the film shows a bit of everything that goes on in connection with a race track, with several races, both on the turf and through the field, the charity ball, the various modes of transportation (the one by boat is the nicest), to the breaking of yearlings.

3-year-olds over a 1 3/16 miles route. Along with the Kentucky Derby and the Belmont Stakes it completes America's Triple Crown.

"Free State" Sires

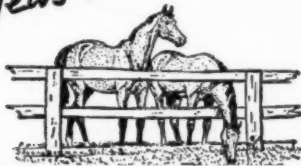
Both divisions of the Columbian Handicap, at Hialeah on Tuesday, February 22 fell to the stride of daughters of sires standing in the "Free State".

The first division of the 10th running of this 7 furlongs feature went to Rare Music, by The Rhymer, who stands at Mrs. S. M. Pistorio's farm at Ellicott City; while the faster division was won by Guayana, a daughter of *Hunters Moon IV, who holds court at Janon Fisher, Jr.'s The Caves Farm, Eccleston.

WINNER NOT RICHEST

The longest-priced mutuel payoff in the history of Hialeah strangely enough was not on a winner. It was the \$971.10 paid to place by Baal who ran second in a race on February 4, 1932.

News From the Studs



KENTUCKY Storms Inflict Heavy Damage

Three severe storms swept through Central Kentucky last week (Feb. 28), causing directly the deaths of at least five persons, considerable loss of livestock and property damage totaling about \$1,500,000. They left even more death, destruction, damage and misery in their wake in the form of floods.

The farms of J. D. Weil, C. H. Ferguson and John Robinson were seriously damaged in the weather disturbances, spread over a six-day period.

The first of the storms, about 10:30 P.M. Sunday, was mainly electrical in nature.

The four-year-old gelding Flying Now died in a lightning-set fire that destroyed a stock barn on Mr. Weil's farm, Nicholasville. Also lost in the blaze were 25 tons of straw, 10 tons of hay and other feed. Mr. Weil estimated the damage at between \$12,500 and \$15,000.

The second storm, about 3:30 A.M. Tuesday, did most of its damage with wind. The United States Weather Bur-

eau office at Lexington registered an official wind velocity of 60 miles per hour, but winds in other sections of the Blue Grass were unofficially estimated at 80 to 90 mph. Damage running into several thousands of dollars was inflicted on barns, houses, business structures, garages, churches and automobiles over a five-county area.

A barn at Mr. Ferguson's Windermere Farm, Paris, was unroofed; and two other barns on another Ferguson farm near Georgetown were demolished. Mr. Ferguson's son, Ben F. Ferguson, was injured at the Georgetown place.

At Windermere, a roof was lifted from a barn and deposited atop an avenue of trees several hundred feet distant.

At the Georgetown farm, a ewe and lamb, part of a flock of 75 sheep in one of the destroyed barns, were killed. Ben Ferguson stepped on a nail and sustained a foot puncture when he went to the rescue of the rest of the flock.

The third storm, about 5:30 P.M. Friday, had everything: Wind, rain, hail, lightning and isolated tornados. Wind velocity at Lexington was measured at 63 mph. A Montgomery County man was killed by lightning, and four children of one family were drowned in Meade County when they apparently fell into a rain-swollen creek while running for shelter from the storm on their way home from school. A Madison County tornado inflicted damage estimated at nearly \$1,000,000 in that one section alone. Damage was extensive to barns, houses, garages and business structures in a nine-county area, not only from the storm itself but also from flash floods that followed in several places.

One of the tornados hit Mr. Robinson's farm, Versailles. Two barns were demolished, the residence was seriously damaged, a horse barn was less seriously damaged and a horse was slightly injured.

Mrs. Robinson, alone in the brick residence, first became alarmed when she saw pieces of a neighbor's barn flying past the window by which she was standing. When the window blew in, she turned to run to the cellar for shelter. Before she could reach it, however, the tornado had passed, leaving the back porch destroyed, much of the roof ripped off and several other windows broken. A refrigerator was blown into the middle of the room and turned around; and its door was torn open, scattering food across the floor. Something—the exact object could not be determined—was blown completely through a hall door, leaving a hole the size of a silver dollar. Papers which Mr. Robinson had been using to compute his income tax were whisked from a desk and scattered over the countryside; some were later found in nearby trees. The interior of the house was watersoaked and damaged by the heavy rain and hail. Mr. Robinson estimated damage to the house at \$3,000 to \$5,000.

A neighbor reported having seen a 96-foot barn on the Robinson farm lifted 50 feet in the air and smashed back to the ground. A 100-foot barn was also destroyed.

Only minor damage was inflicted on the horse barn. One of the horses was struck by a flying splinter.

The Weil, Ferguson and Robinson
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59th Running Of The MARYLAND HUNT CUP Saturday, April 30th, 1955

Time: 4:00 P. M.

The Fifty-ninth Annual Race for the Maryland Hunt Cup and the Third Race for the Challenge Bowl presented by the Committee of the Maryland Hunt Cup Association will be run on Saturday, April 30th, 1955 at 4 P. M., under sanction of the Hunts Committee of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association. Weights: 4-year-olds, 150 pounds; 5-year-olds, 160 pounds; 6-year-olds and upwards, 165 pounds. No sex or half-bred allowance; no allowance for riders, and no other allowance. Owners, riders and horses, acceptable to the Committee. Start and finish on the estate of Mrs. J. W. Y. Martin, Worthington Valley. Entrance Fee \$10.00. Distance four miles.

The Challenge Bowl will be held by the owner of the winning horse each year and will become the permanent possession of the owner winning the Maryland Hunt Cup three times, not necessarily with the same horse nor by successive wins.

*In determining whether a rider is acceptable to the committee the following general qualifications will apply—

1. Riders holding amateur licenses from the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association and those eligible for the same.
2. Members of recognized hunts not holding amateur licenses of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association, whose avocation is fox hunting for pleasure and who, although they may derive their livelihood from horse activities, do not accept pay for riding in races. These may be permitted to ride, but it is to be understood in good faith, that no rider shall be paid either directly or indirectly for riding in the Hunt Cup.

Commencing April 1st, 1955, the office of the Maryland Hunt Cup Association will be c/o Mr. Redmond C. Stewart, 411 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md., Telephone SARatoga 7-6820. For information regarding the race, parking stickers, press notices, and paddock tickets, call this Baltimore office.

Entries close at 12 o'clock midnight, Saturday, April 23rd, 1955

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Standing for Season of 1955

The following list of stallions, representative of the best Thoroughbred racing blood in each state, will be carried monthly in The Chronicle throughout the year. Those interested in having stallions listed in this directory will have their requests given prompt attention by writing The Chronicle, c/o The Chronicle Advertising Department, Boyce, Virginia.

Illinois

Owned by: Oak Brook Polo Farm Managed by: Ted Mohlman
Telephone: Hinsdale, Ill. 3212

Standing at: Oak Brook Polo Club, Hinsdale, Ill.

BOTTOM STEP Fee: \$100—Return
Br., 1938, by Blue Larkspur—Bid of Love, by *Light Brigade.
Bottom Step is the sire of the winners Didslip, High-Eta, Mud Guard, Vicky Step and Cuchess Me from limited opportunities.

Owned by: Westwind Farm Managed by: Ted Mohlam
Telephone: Hinsdale, Ill. 3212
Standing at: Oak Brook Polo Club, Hinsdale, Ill.

UNBRIDLED Fee: \$500—Return
B., 1947, by Unbreakable out of Lark Song by Blue Larkspur.
Winner of Hyde Park Stakes meeting Duchess Peg, Bully Boy, Re-Armed, etc. Second in Bay State, Kindergarten Stakes, etc.

Kentucky

Owned by: Syndicate Managed by: Clarkson Beard
Telephone: Lexington 4-5147

Standing at: Greentree Farm, Lexington, Kentucky

BIMELECH Fee: \$3,500—Live Foal
B., 1937, Black Toney—*La Troienne, by *Teddy.
Sire of 8 \$100,000 winners.

Owned by: Greentree Farm Managed by: Clarkson Beard
Telephone: Lexington 4-5147
Standing at: Greentree Farm, Lexington, Kentucky

CAPOT Fee: \$1,000—Live Foal
Br., 1946, Menow—Piquet, by *St. Germans
Voted horse of the year in 1943. Sire of the winners Sweet Aloe, Hurry By from first crop racing this year.

Owned by Brandywine Stable

Telephone: Lexington 3-1210
Standing at: C. F. White's Elsmere Farm
Russell Cave Pike, Lexington, Ky.

COCHISE Fee: \$1,000—Live Foal
TO APPROVED MARES

Gr., 1946, by *Boswell—New Pin, by *Royal Minstrel.
Stakes winner of over \$250,000. Always at the top of handicapper's list. Won from 5½ furlongs to 1¼ miles under all track conditions, carrying top weights and breaking track records.

Owned by: George D. Widener Managed by: William Bugg
Telephone: Lexington 3-0643

Standing at: Old Kenney Farm, Lexington, Ky.

EIGHT THIRTY Fee: \$3,500
Ch., 1936, by Pilate—Dinner Time, by High Time.
Sire of 33 stakes winners including the outstanding 2 yr. old Royal Coinage.

Owned by: Brandywine Stable

Telephone: Lexington 4-5979

Standing at:

Charles Asbury's Hedgewood Farm, Lexington, Ky.

GREEK SONG FEE: \$1,000—Book Full
Ch., 1947, *Heliopolis—Sylvan Song, by *Royal Minstrel.

A stakes winning son of *Heliopolis, making his third season at stud. Winner of the Dwyer Stakes and Arlington Classic in the fastest time of the year for the distance at both tracks.

Owned by: Walter M. Jeffords

Apply: H. B. Scott

Telephone: Lexington 2-5161

Standing at: Faraway Farm, Lexington, Kentucky

PAVOT Fee: \$2,500—Return
Payable at time of service.

Br., 1942, Case Ace—Coquelicot, by Man o'War.
Unbeaten in 8 starts at 2; won Belmont Stakes at 3; beat Stymie by 5 lengths at 4 in Jockey Club Gold Cup. Earned \$373,385 in 4 years of racing. Sire of 9 stakes winners, Cigar Maid, The Pimpernel, South Point, Centine, Ze Pippin, Moby Dick, Andre, Wise Pop, Sharbot.

Owned by: Edward B. Benjamin

Managed by: Carter Thornton

Standing at: Threave Main Stud, Paris, Ky.

PRIMATE Fee: \$500
Dk. c., 1949, by Some Chance—Edified, by *Jacopo.

Retired from racing due to a broken sesamoid bone. Lost this stake by only a head or neck, giving weight to good horses, including the winner. Primate won the Youthful and Juvenile; 2nd in National Stallion, Belmont Futurity and Jersey Stakes, also in the High Quest, in which Tom Fool beat him by a neck at level weights.

Owned by: Maine Chance Farm

Managed by: Leslie Combs II

Telephone: Lexington 4-4801

Standing at: Spendthrift Farm, Lexington, Kentucky

ROYAL BLOOD Fee: \$500—Now Booking
GUARANTEED LIVE FOAL.

Ch., 1945, Coldstream—Spotted Beauty, by Man o'War.

Winner Dover Stakes, Jamaica, Wilmington, Princeton Hdcs., 2nd Fall Highweight, W. P. Burch Mem. Hdcs., Juvenile, Cowdin Stakes and \$100,540.

Owned by: Greentree Farm

Managed by: Clarkson Beard

Telephone: Lexington 4-5147

Standing at: Greentree Farm, Lexington, Kentucky

SHUT OUT Fee: \$2,500—Live Foal
Ch., 1939, Equipoise—Goose Egg, by *Chicle.

Outstanding sire of Evening Out, Closed Door, One Hitter, Hall of Fame, etc.

Owned by: Greentree Farm

Managed by: Clarkson Beard

Telephone: Lexington 4-5147

Standing at: Greentree Farm, Lexington, Kentucky

TOM FOOL Fee: \$5,000—Live Foal
B., 1949, by Menow—Gaga, by *Bull Dog.

Best handicap horse, best sprinter and voted best horse of the year, 1953

Maryland

Owned by: A syndicate.

Telephone: Office Vinewood 5-2371

Residence Vinewood 5-2091

Standing at: Glade Valley Farm, Walkersville, Md.

ALERTED Fee: \$1,500—Book Full

B., 1948, by Bull Lea—Hastily Yours, by John P. Grier.

Stakes winner of 20 races and \$440,485.

Owned by: Larry MacPhail.

Managed by: Dr. Robert Leonard

Standing at: Glenangus Farms, Bel Air, Maryland.

GENERAL STAFF Fee: \$1500—Live Foal

BOOK FULL 1955
NOW BOOKING FOR 1956

B., 1948 by *Mahmoud—*Uvira II, by Umidwar.

Stakes winning son of the great *Mahmoud and the outstanding producer *Uvira II.

Owned by: A Syndicate

For information: Peter Jay

Telephone: Churchville 3822

Standing at:

Windmill Hill Farm, R. D. 2, Havre de Grace, Md.

GRAND SLAM Fee: \$500—Live Foal

Ch., 1933, by Chance Play—Jeanne Bowdre, by Luke McLuke.

High class stakes winner; sire of many stakes winners including the stakes winner over jumps Extra Points. Has consistently stood among top 5 stallions on the "most winners" and "most wins" in The Blood-Horse for 1948 - 1952 incl.

Owned by: A Syndicate

For information: Peter Jay

Telephone: Churchville 3822

Standing at:

Windmill Hill Farm, R. D. 2, Havre de Grace, Md.

***NORTHERN STAR** Book Full

B., 1948, by Mirza II—Venus, by Gold Bridge.

Track record breaker. Stakes winner at 2, 3 and 4.

Owned by: A Syndicate

Managed by: Dr. Robert Leonard

Standing at: Glenangus Farms, Bel Air, Maryland.

SEA CHARGER Book Full

Ch., 1950, by *Royal Charger—Sea Flower, by Walvis Bay.

The Irish Champion.

Owned by: Col. H. B. Marcus

Managed by: Frank Lee

Telephone: Office Vinewood 5-2371

Residence Vinewood 5-2091

Standing at: Glade Valley Farm, Walkersville, Md.

THE PINCHER

Fee: \$300—Book Full

Dk. b., 1946 by *Heliopolis—Effie B, by *Bull Dog.

Winner of 25 races at 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 including the Chesapeake Trial, Benjamin Franklin, W. P. Burch Memorial (twice), Rowe Memorial and Philadelphia for a total of \$109,720.

Massachusetts

Owned by:

Mr. and Mrs. Bayard Tuckerman, Jr.

Managed by:

Bayard Tuckerman, Jr.

Tel.: Lafayette 3-5700—108 Water St., Boston

Standing at: Little Sunswick Farm, South Westport, Mass.

SILVER WINGS

Fee: \$300—Return

Gr., 1948, *Mahmoud—Irvana, by Blue Larkspur.

Won Great American Stakes, Aqueduct, 1950—Six furlongs in 1:10 1/4, beating Battlefield; Second in George Woolf Memorial; Third in Sanford and Grand Union Stakes.

New Jersey

Owned by: Meadowview Farms, Inc.

Apply: F. Wallis Armstrong, Jr.

Telephone: Moorestown 9-0640

Standing at: Meadowview Farms, Moorestown, N. J.

SLIDE RULE

Fee: \$500

Payable at time of service. Refund November 1st.

Dk. ch., 1940, Snark—King's Idyll, by *Sir Gallahad III

Winner of \$133,706. Broomstick on the top, Fair Play on the bottom line.

Owned by: A Syndicate

Apply: F. Wallis Armstrong, Jr.

Telephone: Moorestown 9-0640

Standing at: Meadowview Farms, Moorestown, N. J.

YOUR HOST

Fee: \$2,500—Book Full

Ch., 1947, *Alibhai—*Boudoir II, by *Mahmoud.

Gallant son of *Alibhai. Winner of 13 races and \$384,795.

New York

Owned by: Greenbrier Stable

Apply to: Jack B. Ward

Telephone: New Rochelle 6-7736

Standing at: Ward Acres Farm, New Rochelle, N. Y.

***FAIRFORALL**

Fee: \$250 Live Foal

B., 1949, by Fairwell—Westrol, by Rosewell.

He raced only at 2 when he won four races and placed twice in eight starts, all stakes. He won the Fullerton Stakes, Woodcote Stakes, Granville Stakes, and Nell Gwynn Stakes.

Owned by: W. P. Wadsworth

Managed by: Leland Gardner

Telephone: Genesee 117-W

Standing at: The Homestead, Genesee, N. Y.

GREY FLARES

Fee: \$100.00

Payable at time of service. Fee refunded if mare is barren and veterinary certificate is filed before November 1 in the year which the mare is bred.

Gr., 1941, Flares—Greyglade by *Sir Greysteel.

A "Premium Hunter Sire" and "sure foal getter". By a winner of English classics and from a "Jumping" distaff.

Owned by: Ward Acres Farm

Apply to: Jack B. Ward

Telephone: New Rochelle 6-7736

Standing at: Ward Acres Farm, New Rochelle, N. Y.

MASTER FIDDLE

Fee: \$500 Live Foal

Gr., 1949, by First Fiddle—Marsh Marigold, by

*Sir Gallahad III.

First Fiddle's leading money winning son—defeated Tom Fool at level weights in Wood Memorial; won Ardsley Stakes over Blue Man and the 1 3/16 mile Thistledown Cup in near record time, etc.

Owned by: Mrs. Jane A. Messler

Apply: Harold Shepard

Harold Shepard

Telephone: Pittsford 187-F-22

Standing at: Oak Ridge Farm, Pittsford, N. Y.

***NEW DEAL II**

Fee: \$50.00

AT TIME OF SERVICE
RETURN PRIVILEGES

B., 1949, Straight Deal—Festinalia, by Coronach-Nance.

*New Deal II stands 16.3 — excellent conformation and disposition — bound to breed distance horses. His first crop of colts, now yearlings show great promise for the show ring. Free services available to stake winning mares.

Owner: Ward Acres Farm

Apply to: Jack B. Ward

Telephone: New Rochelle 6-7736

Standing at: Ward Acres Farm, New Rochelle, N. Y.

WAIT A BIT

Fee: \$500 Live Foal

Ch., 1939, by Espino—Hi-Nelli, by High Cloud.

Stakes winner 19 races; sire of stakes winners Bit o' Fate, Go A Bit, Gulf Stream; stakes placed Country Cox, Blazing Home, Right Bit and Swords Point.

Owned by: Mrs. Robert L. Gerry

Managed by: Harry Main

Telephone: Delhi, 0412

Standing at: Aknusti Stud, Delhi, New York

YOUNG PETER

Fee: \$200

B., 1944, Peanuts—Mary Jane, by Pennant.

Stakes winner of over \$80,000 including Providence Stakes, Choice Stakes and Travers, beating Phalanx and Colonel O'F.

North Carolina

Owned by: Stark S. Dillard

Managed by: Gilbert M. Scott

Telephone: 3-5034

Standing at: Wonderland Farm, Sedgefield, N. C.

Address: Route 3, Greensboro, N. C.

WRACK OF GOLD

Fee: Contract

Ch., 1941 by Cloth O'Gold—Wrackatell, by Runantell.

Wrack of Gold, sire of the good stakes winner Mi Maragold, Vineland Handicap, 2nd in Miss America Stakes to Miss Joanne, also beaten 1/4-length by Grecian Queen and Is Proud in Marguerite Stakes.

Pennsylvania

Owned by: Mr. and Mrs. Michael D'Onofrio

Managed by: Harry Moss

Telephone: Newton Square 0958-R or Howard 7-1314

Standing at: Cedar Grove Farm, R. D. 1, Media, Pa.

BLESS ME

Fee: \$500—Live Foal

Br., 1939, *Sickle—Buginarug, by Blue Larkspur.

70% of his foals are winners — 78% of his starters are winners

Owned by: Frank F. Truscott

Telephones: Elgin 6-0892, 6-6375, 6-3008

Standing at: Fox Trail Farms, Newtown Square, Pa.

CEDAR CREEK

Fee: \$200—Return

Br., 1943, by *Bahram—*Green Fee, by Fairway.

Stakes-winning son of an undefeated Triple Crown winner; out of a sister to a classic winner and successful sire. Cedar Creek has already sired 5 winners of 23 races from 8 starters for an average of over \$6,000 per starter.

Owned by: Eugene Weymouth

Agent: Fred Pinch

Telephone: West Chester 144-R-5

Standing at: Shellbark Farm, Malvern, Pa.

CORMAC

Fee: \$100—Return

Dk. br., 1943, Bois de Rose—*Sauge, by Chouberski.

Winner of Fox Hunters 'chase, Louie Leith Cup and Grand National Point-to-Point

Owned by: William P. Foley

Managed by: Alex Atkinson

Telephone: Media 6-1923

Standing at: Grandview Farms, Media, Pennsylvania

***DELHI II**

Fee: \$125—Live Foal

Fee payable November 1st of year bred.

Grey, 1942, The Font—Diosa, by Adam's Apple.

Winner 12 races in Chile and Venezuela. Excellent Thoroughbred or Hunter sire prospect. Beautiful conformation and disposition and is bound to breed distance horses.

Owned by: Fred N. Snyder

Managed by: Fred N. Snyder

Telephone: Uhlerstown 381

Standing at: Rollinghill Farms, Erwinna, Bucks Co., Pa.

KINGS PRINCE

Fee: Private Contract

Ch., 1947, *Princequillo—Kingcella, by Burgoon King.

A winning son of *Princequillo, bred along the same lines as HILL PRINCE; and by the distinguished sire of HOW and PRINCE DARE. His fine deep bodied conformation, splendid limbs with bones to match, excellent front with good, strong quarters, offers the nucleus for track potentials.

Owned by: Gen. Richard K. Mellon

Managed by: William Balle

Telephone: Ligonier 9595

Standing at: Rolling Rock Farms, Ligonier, Penna.

***ROLLING ROCK**

Fee: \$500.

Br. 1951, by *Nasrullah—Salecraft by Orpen.

By the sire of the top priced yearling (\$86,000) sold at the 1954 Keeneland Yearling Sales.

Owned by: Gen. Richard K. Mellon

Managed by: William Balle

Telephone: Ligonier 9595

Standing at: Rolling Rock Farms, Ligonier, Penna.

***RUFIGI**

Fee: \$200—Return

B., 1937, by Easton—Malva by Charles O'Malley.

Half-brother to *Blenheim II and sire of the stakes winning jumpers Dillsburg and Deferment. His sire was leading chase sire in 1949 and 1950 siring 32 winners of 59 races.

Owned by: H. E. Rulon Managed by: H. E. Rulon
Telephone: Malvern 2976

Standing at: Chelba Farm, Sugartown Rd., Malvern, Pa.
SECNAV Fee: \$300—Return
Br., 1944, by Bull Dog—Gino Patty, by *Gino.

Winner of over \$80,000 in sprints and distance races. Of six known foals, one non-starter, five starters: Valenciano, winner allowance company; Safari Boy, winner; Living Doll, winner and 2nd in handicap; Lasti Pustl, 2nd New York; Ournav, winner of allowance races.

Virginia

Managed by: Dr. J. F. Jones

Standing at: Ingless Farm, Charlottesville, Va.
AIR HERO Fee: \$500—Live Foal
Ch., 1943, by *Blenheim II—Anchors Ahead, by Man o'War.
Air Hero has sired the highest number of 2-year-olds for 1953 of any stallion represented by his first full crop in number of races won (20); stands third in number of winners (9).

Owned by: James L. Wiley Managed by: James L. Wiley
Telephone: Middleburg 4801

Standing at: Locochee Farm, Middleburg, Va.
APACHE Fee: \$500—Live Foal
Fee payable Nov. 1st of year bred in lieu of veterinary certificate.

Br., 1939, *Alcazar—Flying Song, by *Sir Gallahad III.
One of America's leading sires. 1954 produce record: 53 winners—141 races — \$239,219 in first monies.

Owned by: A Syndicate Managed by: Tyson Gilpin
Telephone: Boyce 124

Alternate Numbers: Boyce 10 and Boyce 41
Standing at: Kentmere Stud, Boyce, Virginia
***BEAU GEM** Fee: \$1,000
GUARANTEED LIVE FOAL

Dk. ch., 1944, Helios—French Gem, by Beau Fils.
Classic winner—Sprint and Stay. *Royal Gem's half-brother.

Owned by: Mrs. A. C. Randolph Apply: Mrs. A. C. Randolph, Upperville, Va.

Telephone: Upperville 34
Standing at: Oakley, Upperville, Virginia
BLACK GANG Fee: \$300

Fee payable at time of service will be refunded if mares proves not to be in foal November first and veterinary certificate is presented stating mare is not in foal.

Bik., 1941, War Admiral—Babys Breath, by *Sickle.
A hard hitting durable race horse, getting good horses. Sire of 5 two-year-old winners of 1954—Royal Gang, Black Cobra, Robby's Miss, Black Teddy, Quite Fancy, as the older winners Black Fancy and Pantata.

Owned by: Milton Ritszenberg Managed by: Milton Ritszenberg
Telephone: Berryville, Va. 345

Standing at: North Hill Farm, Berryville, Virginia
BOLD SALUTE Fee: \$250

Payable Oct. 1st in lieu of vet. certf. that mare is barren.
Red. ch., 1940, by Bold Venture—Minnant, by Pennant.

Bold Salute—a stakes winner, is bred like the great Triple Crown Winner Assault. He is half-brother to 3 stakes winners—Augury, Magnificent and Blue Pennant.

Owned by: Mrs. DuPont Scott Managed by: Delmar Twyman, Agt.
Telephone: Orange, Va. 5661

Standing at: Montpelier Farms, Montpelier Station, Va.
BOLINGBROKE Fee: \$250

Payable October 1. Veterinarian's Certificate in lieu of payment.
B., 1937, Equipoise—Wayabout, by Fair Play.

Stakes winner of \$161,000 . . . 1½ mile record holder . . . sire of 33 winners of 61 races in 1953.

Owned by: Llangollen Farm Managed by: Richard Kirby
Telephone: Upperville 41

Standing at: Llangollen Farm, Upperville, Virginia
BONNE NUIT Fee: \$200—Live Foal

Gr., 1934, *Royal Canopy—*Bonne Cause, by Bonfire.
Tanahmerah, Yankee Doodle, Flamingo, Hollandia, Party Miss and Carry Me Back, are a few of the outstanding jumpers among his get.

Owned by: Llangollen Farm Managed by: Richard Kirby
Telephone: Upperville 41

Standing at: Llangollen Farm, Upperville, Virginia
BULLET PROOF Fee: \$100—Live Foal

Ch., 1944, by Stepenfitchit—Shadowproof by *St. Germans.
Stakes winner of over \$84,000 and out of a stakes winning dam.

Owned by: Forest T. Taylor Managed by: Fred Newman
Telephone: Staunton 54871

Standing at: Cherry Hill Farm, Staunton, Virginia
BOWLER Fee: Pvt. Contract
Br., 1948, War Admiral—Rash Hurry, by John P. Grier.

BOWLER bears a great resemblance to his illustrious sire, War Admiral, a triple crown winner and the most successful son of Man o'War. First dam, Rash Hurry, was a producer of winners. Second dam, *Hastily, by Hurry On; dam of Cavalcade and Hastily Yours, etc.
BOWLER was never raced due to a training injury.

Owned by: Forest T. Taylor Managed by: Fred Newman
Telephone: Staunton 54871

Standing at: Cherry Hill Farm, Staunton, Virginia
CHILLY BEAU Fee: \$50
B., 1939, Chilhowie—Beau's Gal, by Beau Gallant, by *Light Brigade.
An outstanding sire of conformation hunters and show ring jumpers.

Owned by: Llangollen Farm Managed by: Richard Kirby
Telephone: Upperville 41

Standing at: Llangollen Farm, Upperville, Virginia
***ENDEAVOUR II** Fee: \$1,500—Live Foal
APPROVED MARES ONLY

B., 1942, British Empire—Himalaya, by Hunters Moon.
Undeclared champion of the Argentines in 1947. Sire of Porterhouse, best 2-year-old colt or gelding, best 2-year-old; Trying, Astoria Stakes and many other 2 and 3-year-old winners.

Owned by: Llangollen Farm Managed by: Richard Kirby
Telephone: Upperville 41

Standing at: Llangollen Farm, Upperville, Virginia
KITCHEN POLICE Fee: \$500—Live Foal
Ch., 1943, by Discovery—Galley Slave, by *Gino.
Stakes winner and co-holder of track record, Saratoga Racing Ass'n., ¾-mi. 1:09¾.

Owned by: Llangollen Farm Managed by: Richard Kirby
Telephone: Upperville 41

Standing at: Llangollen Farm, Upperville, Virginia
NIGHT LARK Fee: \$50—Live Foal

Grey, 1939, Bonne Nuit—Poulette, by *Coq Gaulois.
Sire of outstanding show ring winners including Storm King, winner of Virginia Horsemen's High Score award for 2-year-olds; Compromise, etc.

Owned by: A Syndicate Managed by: Tyson Gilpin
Telephone: Boyce 124

Alternate Numbers: Boyce 10 and Boyce 41
Standing at: Kentmere Stud, Boyce, Virginia
***ORESTES** Fee: \$500
GUARANTEED LIVE FOAL

Payable November 1 of year bred, or Veterinary certificate in lieu if mare is barren.

B., 1941, Donatello II—Orison, by Friar Marcus.
Head of English Free Handicap. Stakes winner from 5 furlongs to 1½ miles. Sire of Aeschylus, winner Youthful Stakes (2nd Div.), Randal Park, (setting new track record), 1950 English Cambridgeshire winner, Kelling and other stakes winners.

Owned by: James L. Wiley Managed by: James L. Wiley
Telephone: Middleburg, 4801

Standing at: Locochee Farm, Middleburg, Va.
PENNANCE Fee: \$50—Live Foal
Chestnut, 1946, by Pilate—Peggy Porter, by The Porter.
Winning half-brother to stakes winner and out of a stakes winning dam.

Owned by: I. S. Compton. Managed by: I. S. Compton.
Telephone: Mt. Jackson, Va. 91

Standing at: Mill Creek Stables, Mt. Jackson, Va.
PICTOR Fee: \$500

PAYABLE OCTOBER 1st IN LIEU OF VETERINARY CERTIFICATE IF MARE IS BARREN.

B., 1937, by *Challenger II—Lady Legend, by Dark Legend (Fr.).

Stakes winners Pictus, Sweet Pick and Bulverde. His get won \$708,412 through 1953.

Managed by: Chas. H. Tompkins, Jr.
Telephone: Warrenton 30

Standing at: Spring Hill Farm, Casanova, Virginia
PSYCHIC Fee: \$50

Payable at time of service. Mare subject to approval.
Ch. h., 1939, Psychic Bid—Ready, by High Time.
Psychic is the sire of the winners Psychic Dream and Psychic Red.

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farms were the only Thoroughbred establishments reporting major damage during the week's violent weather.

Fly Wheel's Brother

C. V. Whitney has a yearling full brother to Fly Wheel, the *Mahmoud colt who won the recent \$10,000-added Magic City Handicap, at his Lexington farm. The mare, Flyweight, victor in the Debutante and Betsy Ross Stakes, is barren this year. She is a half sister, by Firethorn, to *Mahmoud's crack daughter First Flight.

Two Imports Foal

Two mares brought across the Atlantic Ocean in the past several months have recently dropped their foals in Central Kentucky.

At Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reineman's Crown Crest Farm, Lexington, it was a bay colt by Nearco for Miss Eleonora R. Sears' *Umbura, the Lonsdale Stakes winner who cost \$83,000 from the Aga Khan's consignment to the Keeneland Fall Sales.

At Mrs. John D. Hertz's Stoner Creek Stud, Paris, it was a bay filly by Migoli for the Nearco mare *Mona Lisa, imported by Mrs. Hertz this past winter.

Bwamazon Yearlings

Millard A. Waldheim's Bwamazon Farm, Inc., Winchester, has nominated to the Keeneland Summer Sales a colt and filly by Revoked; sons of Better Self, *Big Dipper, Big Game, Coaltown, Hill Prince, Owen Tudor and *Priam II; and daughters of Bimelech, *Djeddah, My Request and Olympia.

In the Bwamazon group are a half brother, by Better Self, to Swift Sword; a half sister, by My Request, to Donnajack; a colt by Coaltown from the Anita Chiquita Stakes winner Judy Rae; a filly by *Djeddah out of the Madrid Plate victor *Close-Reefed; and a daughter of Revoked from the Findon Stakes captor *Zante.

Incidentally, Bwamazon has in training at Keeneland a half sister, by *Djeddah, to Donnajack; and a filly by *Nasrullah—Judy Rae. These two-year-olds, along with a male stablemate by Olympia, are receiving their tutelage from Strother Griffin.

—Frank Talmadge Phelps

—NEW JERSEY Croix de Loraine Foals

The Townsend B. Martins recently received word that their mare Croix de Loraine, foaled in Ireland on February 15th. The mare by Tourbillon—Colette Baudoche, by Biribi, was bought for the

Martins at the December 1953 Newmarket Sales by Humphrey Finney. The mare was then sent to Cdr. Peter Fitzgerald's in Adare, Co. Limerick, where she foaled a nice filly by Palestine. This year's foal is a colt by My Babu, and the mare is booked to Golestan in Co. Meath.

It may be of interest, that H. M. the Queen keeps her yearlings at Cdr. Fitzgerald's place.

*Turn-to's Full Sister

The 3-year-old *Wild Orange, by *Royal Charger—*Source Sucree, by Admiral Drake, owned by Mr. & Mrs. Townsend Martin, has been at the George Howell's Tourelay Farm, Eatontown, New Jersey since she broke down last autumn in Maryland. On Tuesday, March 1 she was sent to J. M. Roebling's farm near Trenton, where she will visit the court of Case Ace.



—VIRGINIA—

Bud's Bell to Apache

Jim Wiley, Middleburg, awaited the outcome of the first division of the Columbiana Handicap with more than the usual amount of interest. What occasioned this was the stakes winning and producing mare Bud's Bell. This distinguished matron a sister to the good stakes winner and sire Thanksgiving and winner of the Polly Drummond has been booked to Mr. Wiley's Locochee Farm sire Apache, who is attracting himself, a great deal of interest in the "Old Dominion".

Bud's Bell, dam of the stakes winner Versify, was represented in the Columbiana by the Rosemont mare Ros Crag, which sported the sliks of the Companas Stable. In the Hialeah feature, Ros Crag got to the top after about 3/4th of the distance had been covered, but couldn't hold off the rush of Rare Music, finishing 2nd.

—IRELAND—

Fighting Don has Full Book

Irish breeders seeking outcrosses, have lately been importing bloodstock from several outside countries, including the U. S. From the latter has come Fighting Don, imported by Mr. Bernard J. Fagan at whose Deerpark Stud, Go. Meath, the horse stands.

His purchase seems a wise one; already at the stud fee of 49 pounds he is in demand, and his book for 1955 is full. The "No foal, no fee," proviso is

enjoined, which appeals to many breeders this side, but is actually an unusual concession with us. One reason for his popularity is the successes in America of his son, Guerrero on Californian tracks, and to a lesser degree, that of his daughter, Debbie Ann, at mid-west tracks. Both are from his second crop, he having been retired to stud in 1950. He was a distinguished racer, from two to seven years, winning seventeen races and placing in many more in top company. The nearly \$77,000 won in stakes represents twice that amount in terms of present day values.

Fighting Don appeals as an individual On his breeding he has lines very scarce in these parts. By Fighting Fox by *Sir Gallahad III (Teddy Line) his top line is among the best. On the distaff the blood of Hastings' famous son, Fair Play, begetter of one of the world's all-time greats, Man o'War. This side stands inspection right down, for instance, Mad Hatter's dam, Marcap was by triple crown winner, *Rock Sand, who begot the dam of Man o'War, Mahuba. Bird Nest was a good racer; an even better brood mare. Out of Tree Top by Ultimus from Thirty-Third by Sir Dixon she passes on some of the oldest lines in the American Stud Book.

A horse is usually judged by the quality of his stock in the first two or three crops and we will await with the greatest interest the running of his first Irish crop. Should he have success with them it is likely he will become the husband of some of the top matrons in the country. At present, his book is composed of "under-top" mares.

—ILLINOIS—

The Dude Has Full Book

The Dude which stands at Pat Kay Farm, Inc., Barrington, has a full book for the season of 1955. The 11-year-old son of *Alibhai—*Donatrice, by Donatello II, of whom the late John Hervey (the famed Salvator) said, "... the little chestnut stallion is one of the most blue-blooded Thoroughbreds not merely in America but in any country", has been limited to 25 mares.

Naturally the success of Simmy one of the better 2-year-olds of last season (2nd Garden State Stakes Washington Futurity, etc.) and winner of the Silver Springs Purse at Hialeah on March 1st in sparkling time, has attracted a great deal of attention to his sire. Then too the very fast allowance performer Blonde Dude has also helped.

The Dude, a winner of well over \$100,000, numbers among his stakes wins the Arlington Classic in which he led from start to finish, to triumph over the likes of Assault, Might Story and Lord

Owned by: D. R. Motch

Managed by: Owner

Telephone: Charlottesville 3-1734

Standing at: Coleswood Farm, Keene, Virginia

SEA MARRIAGE

Fee: \$50

\$25 to Half-bred mares.

B. h., 1940, Granville—Port Weather, by The Porter.

A stakes winner, sire of winners on the flat and in the show rings.

Owned by: Mrs. E. H. Augustus

Managed by: James Wiley

Telephone: Middleburg 4801

Standing at: Locochee Farm, Middleburg, Va.

SEVEN LEAGUE

Fee: \$100—Live Foal

B., 1945, by Our Boots—Gifted Lady, by *Bright Knight.

Stakes winner with earnings over \$60,000

Owned by: Llangollen Farm

Managed by: Richard Kirby

Telephone: Upperville 41

Standing at: Llangollen Farm, Upperville, Virginia

SINGING STEP

Fee: \$300—Live Foal

Roan, 1945, by Stephenfitchit—Singing Witch,

by *Royal Minstrel.

Winner of \$40,970—A real speed horse.

Owned by: George L. Ohrstrom

Managed by: Emmett Roberts

Telephone: The Plains 2676

Standing at: Whitewood, The Plains, Virginia

*TENNYSON II

Fee: \$250

Payable at time of service. Money refunded if mare is barren.

Ch., 1947, Straight Deal—Fille de Poete.

Winner in four stakes, placed twice, including second to *DJEDDAH in The Eclipse, out of seven starts.

Owned by: A. T. Taylor

Managed by: Roger Clapp

Standing at: Aldo Farm, P. O. Box 84, London Bridge, Va.

THALIA LAD

Fee: \$50

Payable at time of service. Money refunded if mare is barren.

B., 1942, by *Warrior Bold—Main Flame, by Mainmast.

We believe this horse will be a top hunter and jumper sire. His first crop are now yearlings.

Owned by: Llangollen Farm

Managed by: Richard Kirby

Telephone: Upperville 41

Standing at: Llangollen Farm, Upperville, Virginia

THE VICEROY

Fee: \$50—Live Foal

Grey, 1944, by *Mahmoud—*Nadushka, by Vatout.

Sire of only two colts to race. BOTH WINNERS.

The Rappahannock Hunt Point-to-Point Races

Star Salome Owned and Ridden by Dr. J. M. Rogers Wins Combined Mount Marshall and Battle Run

With fog and extremely deep going plaguing the ever popular Rappahannock Hunt Point-to-Point races ten events plus a hound race were all run off in one afternoon. As these races open the season there was great interest in seeing the new timber prospects for this year.

The most popular win of the day was that of Dr. Joseph Rogers, now Capt. Rogers, USAF, on his Star Salome in the combined Mount Marshall and Battle Run. At the start Star Salome and Charoton, with owner Cyrus Manierre up broke on top and came head and head into the first fence, an Aiken with quite a drop. As they ran past the judges wagon for the 1st, Mr. Manierre & Charoton swung wide giving the lead to Dr. Rogers, Star Salome and Charoton continued to run in this order and over the last fence the brown Star Beacon mare pulled away from Charoton to win. In the third place came Mrs. T. A. Randolph's 1st time starter over timber, Essex, who closed with an impressive rush.

The Leeway, an open race put in by the Committee for the first time drew six horses. George Ohrstrom's former brush horse Lord Mildmay ridden by "Willy" Carter set the early pace followed by "Chuck" Ackerman's Piney Creek. By the time the horses came round for the second time over the Aiken John K. Shaw's Highest Award had moved into second place with Lord Mildmay still setting the pace. Piney Creek seemed in distress over this fence and about fifty yards further the rider got him stopped just before he died of a heart attack. When the horses came into view for the third and final round the Ohrstrom horse was still in front but rapidly closing up on him was Mike Smithwick and Highest Award. They caught Lord Mildmay and jumped the last fence alone and went on to win easily, a good victory for Mr. Shaw's personal hunter. In for third was Russell Arundel's flashy bay gelding "Journey" ridden by Paddy Smithwick.

The ladies had a rough time of it, which is really an understatement. At the first fence Miss Patty Weymouth and Figartarsme had a refusal giving the lead to Mrs. Dulany Randolph on her brother's Good Ship, followed by Thomas Taylor's Chickamauga with Mrs. Richard Fadley up. When the horses came back into sight it was plainly to be a race between Figartarsme and Good Ship. Over the coop, the Aiken and as Mrs. Randolph took the more direct route to cedar tree which marked the turn by the judges wagon she reached it first but just as she was making the turn Miss Patty Weymouth swung over to make the beacon and collided with Mrs. Randolph, unseating both riders. Meanwhile Mrs. Fadley cantered by while Good Ship and Figartarsme were being caught and their riders thrown up again. Soon they were off catching Mrs. Fadley and when they reappeared into sight again Miss Weymouth was in the lead and went on to win over Mrs. Randolph who had a bit of difficulty staying with Good Ship over the last fence as he hit hard. However the race was Good Ship's as the judges disqualified Miss Weymouth for running into Mrs. Randolph.

The Juniors had a full day of it with two flat races and one jumping race. In the pony flat race Miss Beverly Harri-

son rode Capt. Bentley's Charmaine to win over two well known show ponies, Miss Kathleen Noland's Spanish Mister and Miss Nancy Orme's Brownie. In the flat race for junior horses J. Sinclair rode Serve to defeat the heavy favorite Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Patterson's Tamer and Sailor Queen then had a breather for several races before they ran back again in the Junior Jumping race only to be defeated by Miss Barbara Graham North Hill Stable's Hamadan, who came from behind to win with plenty to spare.

Three horses went to post in the heavy-weight. Tom Caulk on Col. Lowell Reilly's Lancer led all the way to defeat Dr. Rogers' River Bed ridden by "Chuck" Dart. The only other starter Randolph Rouse's Berry Hill was pulled up after several refusals.

The Rappahannock Bowl open to horses that have been hunted with Rappahannock Hunt also brought out three starters. Reg Vickers' owner-ridden Old Crow, Mrs. Mildred Fletcher's Warsir with Stokes Lott up and Mary Wood's Woodsman, ridden by Ennis Jenkins. As Old Crow showed great distaste for the deep going, it turned into a race between Warsir and Woodsman. Woodsman led

most of the way but was tiring badly coming into the last fence where Warsir went to the front and moved on to win.

SUMMARIES

FARMER'S RACE, lightweight division, abt. 1/2 mi., flat, (Draft horses). Race for Rappahannock farmers, family or farmhand. Catchweights.

1. Huntsman (George Wood), Jack Bruce.
2. Tepsi, (Clifton Clark), Downing Hitt.
3. started and finished. Scratched: Tramp.

Star

FARMER'S RACE, heavyweight division, abt. 1/2 mi., flat, (Draft horses). Race for Rappahannock farmers, family or farmhand. Catchweights.

1. Marietta, (Mrs. M. Cheatham), R. Smoot.
2. Trigger, (Pulla Hughes), Puller Hughes.
3. Frank, (Pulla Hughes), Tom Scott.
7 started and finished; also ran (order of finish): George Wood's George, Charles Burke; Frank Dodson's Entry, Mr. Haywood; D. D. Miller's Coley, R. Grimsley; Marvin Burke's Lady, R. Fincham. Scratched: Sam.

THE PONY CLUB, abt. 1/2 mi., flat. For junior under 18 riding ponies 14.2 and under. Catchweights.

1. Charmaine, (Capt. J. L. B. Bentley), Miss Beverly Harrison.
2. Spanish Mister, (Kathleen Noland), Miss Kathleen Noland.
3. Brownie, (Miss Nancy Orme), Miss Nancy Orme.

9 started and finished; also ran (order of finish): Darcey Phillips' Red, Darcey Phillips; Kathy Laing's Nip and Tuck, Miss Kathy Laing; Gee Greenaway's Tricky, Miss Susan Laing; Lee Greenaway's Snow Flake, Miss Lee Greenaway; Ned Orme's Pretty Girl, Ned Orme; Lannie Atherton's Dandy Jim, Miss Lannie Atherton. No scratches.

THE W. A. LAING MEMORIAL, abt. 1/2 mi., flat. For juniors under 18, riding horses 14.2 and over. Catchweights. Winner: dk. br. g. (13) by Last Servant—Patricia Clare, by Paul Weidel. Breeder: William Mikel.

1. Servex, (Penelope Sinclair), J. Sinclair.
2. Tamer, (Mr. & Mrs. D. W. Patterson), D. Wright Patterson, Jr.

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Rappahannock Hunt Point-to-Point

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The Mount Salem, a 2½ miles ladies race —(l. to r.) Miss Patty Weymouth on her Figatarsme, Mrs. Dulaney Randolph on F. P. Sears, Jr.'s Good Ship and Mrs. Richard Fadley on T. E. Taylor's Chickamauga. The race turned out very well despite a bit of "rhubarb" when one of the contestants got off the course and in an effort to get back collided with an oncoming entry. Mrs. Randolph on Good Ship won the race through the disqualification of Miss Patty Weymouth and her Figatarsme.



Dr. Joseph M. Rogers on his Star Salome won the feature timber race, the 3 mile Mount Marshall and Battle Run. Mr. Cyrus Manierre on his Charoton was 2nd, with D. M. Smithwick on Mrs. T. A. Randolph's Essex coming in 3rd.



The Ben Venue, a 3 mile heavyweight race went to Col. Lowell Reilly's Lancer, Mr. Tom Caulk up (pictured on the right). Dr. Joseph M. Rogers' River Bed (left) Mr. Russell Dart up, finished 2nd.

The Rappahannock Bowl was a "closed race for gentlemen" over about 3 miles of timber and was won by Mildred B. Fletcher's Warsir, ridden by Mr. Stokes Lott—#3, center of photo. Mary N. Wood's Woodsman (left) E. Jenkins up, was 2nd, and Owner-rider Reginald Vickers, Jr., on Old Crow (right) pulled up.



The W. A. Laing Memorial, a half mile flat race was won by Penelope Sinclair's Serve, J. Sinclair up. Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Patterson's Tamer, D. Wright Patterson, Jr. up was 2nd.



Owner John K. Shaw receives trophy from Lee Greenaway as D. M. Smithwick, who had the mount on Highest Award, looks on. Mr. G. L. Ohrstrom's Lord Mildmay finished 2nd in the 3 mile timber race called the Leeway.

The Canadian Hunter

Hunter Breeding in Canada

Clifford Sifton, M. F. H.

Hunter breeding in Canada is the natural result of the accidental combination of climate, country and people.

Extending across the Province of Ontario north of Lakes Ontario and Erie and south of the granite, lake and timber country, is a great stretch of limestone soil which shares with Ireland, Virginia and Kentucky the rare combination of conditions exceptionally suitable for the production of livestock in general and good sound substantial horses in particular.

In the early settlement and development of Canada considerable numbers of Irish, English and Scotch settled in this limestone belt; among others there were large numbers of army and navy officers who, upon retirement, obtained grants of land and moved their families to this new country.

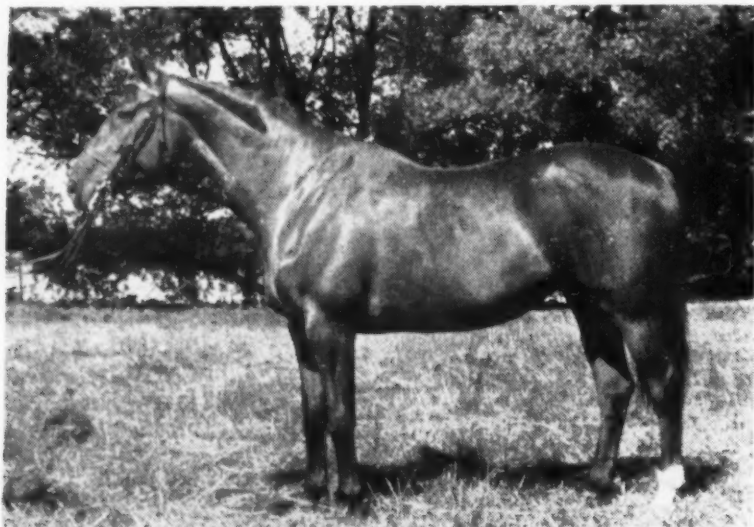
These retired officer settlers had been familiar with and accustomed to good horses. As the only source of power and means of communication in their new homesteads was by horse, they not only

his diary that "the horses which they procured from the farmers thereabout were remarkable for their ability to jump timber fences."

By the turn of the century a great many Ontario-bred horses were being sold to the United States market for use as hunters and jumpers. Canadians were exhibiting hunters and jumpers constantly in the United States and repeatedly in Europe with gratifying success.

Then came the First Great War with its insistent demand for horses, and vast numbers of desirable horses from Ontario, including many mares suitable for hunter breeding, were shipped to the Army in Europe, never to return. When peace permitted a revival of horse sports, there was consequently a scarcity of suitable hunters and jumpers in Ontario. Breeding had fallen to a very low ebb and there was an almost complete absence of suitable Thoroughbred stallions available for farm mares.

The Canadian Racing Association,



WITCH, a 15.3 hands Canadian hunter, by Le Fils Royal out of Iona G.

had a natural desire to have good horses, but they possessed the requisite know-how to obtain and produce them. To provide for their requirements they imported suitable stallions principally from the British Isles.

At an early date Ontario was famous for its good horses, both for heavy and light work. As roads were developed so were light harness horses which came to be referred to as road horses, and subsequently as roadsters. These horses were utility horses known for their ability to cover a ten or twenty mile stretch of road in single or double harness hitched to a buggy carrying two persons in a given time. It so happened that a substantial number of horses thus produced had the required qualifications to become satisfactory hunters, and numbers of them had remarkable jumping ability. As early as 1843 Lieut. Dan Lysons (later Sir Daniel Lysons, Governor of the Tower of London) on garrison duty at London, Ontario, mentioned in

mindful of the fact that their betting privileges had been justified on the grounds that Thoroughbred blood was an indispensable element in the country's horse requirements, on the suggestion of Col. Frank Moss, imported from England and made available to farmers in Ontario 16 Thoroughbred stallions suitable for half-bred production.

Sir Clifford Sifton also imported a French Thoroughbred stallion (Matelot) which proved to be most successful.

Toward a Hunter Improvement Society

On an earlier occasion, racing men had provided Thoroughbred sires for farmers' mares under a so-called National Bureau of Breeding scheme. Unfortunately indiscriminate breeding of unsuitable mares produced many unsound, bad dispositioned, useless horses however, and had given Thoroughbred sires a bad reputation with farmers.

To avoid repeating these mistakes, Frank Moss, Clifford Sifton and Victor Sifton understood to see what could be

done to bring about a desirable result. It was observed that Ireland had made a world famous success in producing excellent weight-carrying hunters and jumpers from the wise mating of suitable Thoroughbred horses with suitable cart mares, and that England was already crystalizing its vast experience in hunter breeding through the activities of the Hunter Improvement and National Light Horse Breeding Society, which developed the inspection, approval and registration of "foundation brood mares", the approval of appropriate stallions, the granting of certificates of breeding their progeny, etc., etc.

In Canada it was recognized that success must in the first instance depend upon proper selection of brood mares.

In the spring of 1926, Frank Moss, Clifford Sifton and Victor Sifton, joined by T. A. Crow, Frank Hodges and Dr. Charles Temple, considered what steps might appropriately be taken and studied the articles and by-laws of the Hunter Improvement and National Light Horse Breeding Society of Great Britain. On the 24th September 1926, the group, joined by Aemilius Jarvis, T. J. McCabe, Major General Lessard, R. S. Timmis, Robert Dolard, W. B. Cleland, Joseph Brownridge, Palmer Wright, William Boivard and R. W. Waide, decided to go ahead.

Canadian Hunter, Saddle and Light horse Improvement Society

On 8th October 1926, the Canadian Hunter, Saddle and Light Horse Improvement Society (modeled after the Hunter Improvement and National Light Horse Society of Great Britain) was officially incorporated as a non-profit corporation under the Companies Act of the Dominion of Canada, the incorporators being Frank Moss, Clifford Sifton, Victor Sifton, George W. Beardmore, M. F. H., and Alfred Rogers. The principal stated objects were—"to improve the breed and promote the breeding and assist in the marketing of hunters and other horses used for riding or for military purposes; to obtain for breeders the use of good stallions at a moderate fee and to improve the class of brood mares."

The Society was at first financed by the fees of 28 enthusiasts who became Life Members and paid a \$50.00 fee. Other members were enrolled at an annual fee of \$3.00.

As a result of representations made to the Ministers of Agriculture for the Province of Ontario and the Dominion of Canada, the Society received in 1927 an annual grant of \$5,000. from the Dominion and \$2,000 from Ontario. Mr. Palmer Wright was hired as Secretary-Manager. In 1932 the Dominion's annual grant was reduced to \$2,000, in 1940 discontinued, and in 1945 restored at \$5,000. The Ontario annual grant was lowered in 1934 to \$750, and in 1942 to \$500. The Canadian Hunter Saddle and Light Horse Improvement Society dropped the word "Saddle" in 1949 and will be referred to in the article as the Improvement Society.

Foundation Brood Mare Register

In April 1928, the Foundation Brood Mares Register was started, the Canadian Racing Association stallions and some others were accepted and approved as Foundation Sires, and the Society offered to extend its services to other Canadian provinces.

The inspection and registration of Brood Mares proceeded with great vigor. There were approved and registered in 1928, 700; in 1929, 950; in 1930, 402. Then the effect of the financial slump took its toll. There were registered in 1931, 200; in 1932, 192; in 1933, 68; in 1934, 25; in 1935, 95; in 1936, 55;

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in 1937, 105; in 1938, 130; in 1939, 150. Then came the War disturbance, and there were registered in 1940, 23; in 1941, 19; in 1942, 3; in 1943, 35. In 1944 interest began to increase and there were registered 158 Foundation Brood Mares; in 1945, 156; in 1946, 173; 1947 193; 1948, 200; 1949, 264; 1950, 136; 1951, 87; 1952, 60; 1953, 54.

4,633 Foundation Brood Mares have been inspected and registered in 28 years. Many more have been inspected and rejected.

Instructions to Inspectors of Foundation Brood mares

Because of the size of the country several inspectors are required in order to cover the country and make inspection services available in different places. So in order to form a general basis for uniformity of action, a written statement of instructions to inspectors was produced. These instructions have been amended from time to time in the light of accumulating experience.

Improvement Society Certificates of Breeding

The produce of Registered Foundation Brood Mares by Approved Stallions receive "Certificates of Breeding" which record the facts for all concerned. Buyers may thus learn that the dams and sires are sound and suitable. Young horses with these certificates are more likely to develop favorably. Most important, when a particularly successful horse is thus produced his progenitors are known and knowledge is gained about the successful breeding lines, etc.

First Canadian Hunter Trials First Hunter Breeding Classes

In September of 1928, as part of its Hunter promotion, the Improvement Society organized and held at the farm of Aemilius Jarvis, north of Toronto, the first Hunter Trials ever held in Canada. At the Trials the Society held its first Hunter Breeding Classes for brood mares and foals.

Subsidized Hunter Breeding Stations

The Dominion Government, Department of Agriculture, has established and maintains eleven Hunter Breeding Stations. Each station is operated by a private individual under contract with the Government. In each station there are three or more suitable stallions, inspected and approved by the Government. The services are made available to suitable mares at very moderate service fees. Adequate and reliable records are kept, and the Government pays to the operator of the Breeding Station an annual subsidy per stallion. Many of the stallions in these stations have been selected in England or Ireland, purchased and brought to Canada by the Canadian Government, and re-sold to the Breeding Station operators. Five of the stallions are the property of the Society. Three more stallions, also owned by the Society, are standing for service with keepers not connected with Government Breeding Stations.

Progress Toward Canadian Hunter Society

By 1930 the results of the efforts of the Society were apparent. Already better young horses were making their appearance. Many more half-bred brood mares were becoming available, but it was apparent that the use of racing bred stallions on half-bred, three-quarter, and seven-eighths bred mares must eventually result in the production of race-type horses, and serious consideration was given to the adoption and fixing of hunter type and characteristics as the next objectives of the Society.

Selection To Produce Hunters

It soon became apparent that (with few exceptions) Thoroughbred breeding is based upon selection to produce race horses capable of carrying light riders over smooth flat courses for relatively short distances at maximum speed, whereas the object of the Society was to produce hunter horses capable of carrying heavy riders over rough and hilly country and over difficult obstacles for much longer distances at relatively moderate speed, and to do this frequently. In other words, the objective was not to produce race horses, but to produce admirable conveyances to carry sportsmen comfortably and safely to hounds or cross-country.

It became obvious that while the combination of race horses and work horses would produce a good many useful working hunters, the greatest success must ultimately be achieved by the establishment of a separate breed, based on selection directed neither to producing race horses nor work horses, but to producing hunters.

Inspection and Acceptance Each Generation

It was realized that the product was necessarily a combination of qualities available from other breeds and that, if progress in creating and fixing breed characteristics was to be rapid, there must be provisions for eliminating unsuitable animals from each generation. For this purpose full registration in the new breed must be conditional upon inspection and approval (or rejection) of each generation after 36 months of age. It is the belief of the Society that under these conditions and particularly as the generations increase, young Canadian Hunters will be purchased with increasing confidence that they will prove to

be excellently suitable for the purpose intended.

Canadian National Live Stock Records

In Canada the breeding records of most pure breeds of livestock are kept by Canadian National Live Stock Records, a co-operative organization of breed associations with certain governmental support, whose records have official standing, both nationally and internationally.

Canadian Hunter Society Formed 1933

Finally on the 14th June 1933, on the insistent request of The Improvement Society, The Canadian Hunter Society was incorporated under the Revised Live Stock Pedigree Act with Clifford Sifton, Palmer Wright, T. A. Crow, W. B. Cleland and E. James Bennett as the original members, and the usual arrangements were made with the Canadian National Live Stock Records to conduct the Canadian Hunter Stud Book.

Thenceforth in practice, the Improvement Society and the Canadian Hunter Society have carried forward twin activities. The Hunter Society is smaller, but all of its members are customarily members of the Improvement Society and the Directors of the Hunter Society are members of the Council of the Improvement Society. The officers of both Societies are usually the same persons. Their individual and co-ordinated activities are carried on under the able and experienced management of A. (Sandy) Herbinson their Joint Secretary Treasurer from their office at Apt. 12D, 45 St. Clair Avenue West, Toronto.

Canadian Hunter Stud Book Rules of Entry.

Appropriate rules of entry first decided upon, have been from time to time amended in the light of experience gained.

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ed. In the beginning, great stress was placed upon proof of the racial antecedents of the animal to be originally entered in the Canadian Hunter Stud Book. This proved to be a mistake. On the one hand it resulted in the exclusion of a number of highly desirable individuals because their ancestry could not be proven with certainty, and on the other hand, far too few suitable individuals of proven and desirable ancestry could be found for entry.

As the result of experience the requirements for proven ancestry have been progressively widened and in fact relaxed, while insistence on the importance of the suitability of the individual has been maintained and progressively stressed, not only for original entry but also for increasingly rigid inspection of the progeny on attaining 36 months of age. The assumption that a racing bred horse is likely to be a suitable hunter proved mistaken. It has proved better to consider the individual horse's worthiness and then to learn about its breeding so that the breeding which has proven successful may be copied.

A few registered Canadian Hunters

es out of the scheme altogether and never becomes a fully registered Canadian Hunter.

Canadian Hunter Stallions

Registered Canadian Hunter Stallions are largely Thoroughbred, but there are a very few stallions of other breeds specially selected as suitable for the purposes. In addition, however, there are now two Canadian Hunter Stallions which have been produced under the scheme itself and are purely Canadian Hunter Stallions. Other purely Canadian Hunter Stallions will come along in due course.

Pamphlets

The Societies have the gratuitous assistance of distinguished veterinarians, of successful breeders, successful dealers, hunter show people, etc., etc., and have produced material for the use of all concerned. There are pamphlets on the care of brood mares, protection against damage by parasites, the feeding and raising of colts, handling and breaking young horses, pictorial examples of foundation mares of working stock and the progressive improvement of offspring due to the use of appropriate stallions of high quality, etc., etc., etc. This material is distributed gratis to breeders.

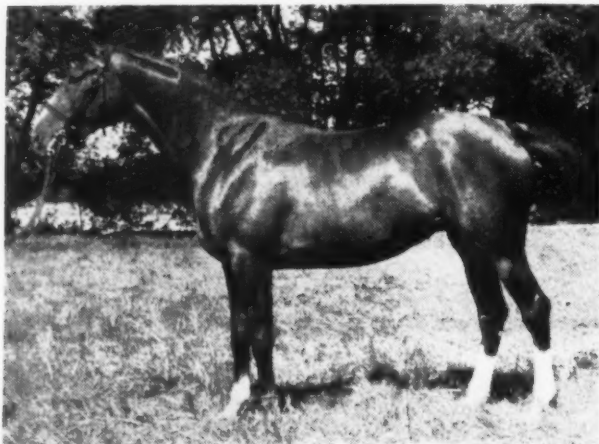
phies for brood mare classes in country fairs, care being taken not to repeat where the same owner is likely to win. In this way a substantial number of statuettes have gotten into the hands of country breeders where they are greatly prized and where they act as "silent salesmen" for the desired type of Canadian Hunter conformation.

"Registered Canadian Hunter"

Competitions

In 1948 it appeared that a sufficient quantity of registered Canadian Hunters was available to introduce classes in horse shows for such horses where they may be brought together and enjoyed the benefits of public competition. The Canadian National Exhibition held in Toronto every August/September, and The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair held at Toronto in November of each year, put on classes open only to three-year-olds or over which are fully registered Canadian Hunters, and to Younger ones which carry Preliminary Foal Certificates issued by the Canadian Hunter Society.

Every year there is an excellent representation in all of these classes and the quality has been strikingly favorable. As time goes on it is hoped that additional classes may be offered in-



SERENADE is by Le Fils Royal out of Romp McNeil. This Canadian hunter stands 16.1 hands.



ROYAL TOURIST is another Canadian hunter by Le Fils Royal. His height is 16.0 hands and he is out of Tourbal.

are Thoroughbred and all are largely and increasingly Thoroughbred, but most have a percentage of other blood from which they derive desirable characteristics. Completed registrations of Canadian Hunters exceed 400. The rules of Entry for the Foundation Book and the Hunter Book as to soundness are identical and in other respects similar—the best go into the Hunter Book, the coarser and rougher into the Foundation Book.

Preliminary Foal Certificate

Each animal under 36 months of age that comes within the rules of eligibility and is submitted for registration, is granted a Preliminary Foal Certificate bearing a serial number. It must then wait until it is 36 months old and is inspected and approved before registration becomes complete, and a Certificate of Registration issued. Even where the sire and dam are both fully registered Canadian Hunters the "get" receive only a Preliminary Foal Certificate and must wait until they have successfully completed 36 months of age, have been inspected and have been approved, before registration is completed. In the event of unsoundness or unsuitability of any kind, the animal is simply rejected, pass-

Hunter Model Statuette Trophies Silent Salesmen of Type

One of the problems encountered was to settle upon and make known to farmer breeders the conformation of the horse the Society is seeking to produce.

In 1935 a committee was appointed to solve this problem. In search of a model, the Committee assembled a selection of outstanding show hunters, but it was found impossible to get agreement as to which horse would be the model. Fortunately it was discovered that the disagreements were upon the relative importance of the imperfections in each animal. It was discovered that there was complete agreement as to which horse had the best head, the best neck, the best wither, the best middle, the best loins, the best quarters, the best legs, the best feet, etc.

The answer turned out to be simple. One horse was taken as the starting model, and Mrs. George Lamont modeled this horse in clay. This horse's imperfections were then improved upon and a "piece mold" was procured which would permit the casting of replicas, being bronzed statuettes 12 inches high.

These statuettes are donated as tro-

cluding separate classes for colts and fillies.

Certificates of Breeding

The Improvement Society grants to the get of registered Foundation Brood Mares by approved stallions Certificates of Breeding which are authentic and reliable records of fact. These are not to be confused however, with the Preliminary Foal Certificates issued by the Canadian National Live Stock Records on behalf of the Canadian Hunter Society.

Both these breeding certificates are valuable for many reasons including the following:—

Helpful To Buyers—Prospective purchasers who demand Certificates of Breeding obtain reliable information about the age and pedigree of the young horses they are about to purchase. These certificates also indicate that the dam is of suitable type and action and is absolutely sound and free from any hereditary weaknesses (bad eyesight, vicious temper, weak hocks, bad feet, spasms, ring bones, etc., etc.)

Helpful To Prospective Breeders—The Certificates of Breeding preserve records of breeding which are of value in learn-

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Hunting Notes



ORANGE COUNTY HUNT CLUB

The Plains,
Virginia.
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Recognized 1903.



The month of March reversed itself by coming in like a lamb and bringing thoughts of garden planting instead of fox-hunting. This day was no exception balmy and moist with warm zephyrs from the south.

It was a very small and selected Field that convened but it included Mrs. Robinson McIlvane's house guest from Pennsylvania, James Kerr, Ex-M. F. H. of Rose Tree and occasional Field Master of Mrs. John Hannum's Cheshire Hounds, who was mounted on Mrs. Dulany Randolph's good hunter Sneaky Pete.

After moseying through Princes, Stettinus' and Garretts' and complaining of the heat we were happily aroused out of our lethargy by a fox which jumped up in front of a rather startled pack. Hounds reacted as though shot out of a cannon and with a great burst of music set sail across the Garretts' lovely open fields. A blanket would have covered them and the Field really had to hustle to stay within sight. Without a check we flew across the Herbert Shaw and Walter Wolfe properties, out into the Carter's Mill road and into Mrs. Paddock's and still going wide open across her rolling fields and stone walls to Rattle Snake Mountain Lane and into Piedmont country on Phipps East Rector place. As we landed in the road between the Atoka road and Rattle Snake Mountain we were faced across the fence by two entirely new faces. Upon close scrutiny these turned out to be Ex M. F. H. Dulany Randolph and one John T. Skinner, famous horse-trainer who, having met at Atoka with the Piedmont and hearing Huntsman Leach's voice and our hounds, had played hookey to find out what the Orange County was up to. There was a good deal of cheerful chatter as to which pack was running where and speculation as to whether the Piedmont Hounds were invading Orange County to get out of our way and incidentally run an O. C. H. fox as long as we were usurping their territory and quarry. Mr. Randolph joined us and we continued on westward onto Paul Llewellyn's and from there slowly but persistently to Hubert Phipps' with hounds working the line with great ingenuity through plow and cattle until at last on Paul Mellons' bottom on Cromwell's Run they lost and after one "Sporting Cast" Duke Leach reluctantly blew them in to him.

It was a rugged, rapid 40 (?) to 45 (?) to 50 (?) minutes (noone's watch ever quite agrees) and about 8 miles of territory covered. A prettier piece of country could hardly be asked for and the run added one more top day to the plethora of good ones already experienced this season. Let it be added here that Piedmont had likewise an excellent day of sport with two fast runs and they

traveled over some of the same country as Orange County. In fact part of the O. C. H. Field, including Mr. Kerr, gave serious consideration to joining up with the Piedmont as we hacked on back to our own country. They were only deterred by the fact that Piedmont ran their fox out of hearing and too fast to make contact.

GOLDENS BRIDGE HOUNDS

North Salem,
New York.
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Recognized 1925.



The members of the Golden's Bridge Hounds have enjoyed another good season, despite a great scarcity of foxes, due to our second (and we hope last) season of an epidemic of mange, which has almost wiped out the red fox population in New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts. Our cubbing season was one of our best, but towards the end of September and October we started to have many kills and found mange on most of those killed. November and December proved very good months, although we would but out for a long time before we would start a fox, we found good healthy strangers. Many of our foxes would take us down into the old Kennel Country, and the Waccabuc section. Quite a few runs lasted over 3 hours. One of our very good days was Nov. 11. We found in Rocky field near Hardscrabble. Hounds raced over Windswept, crossed the road between Salem Center and Charles Wallace's and swam over Titicus River at the upper end of the Reservoir. It was a pretty sight to see the entire pack swimming and pick up the line on the sandy shore and run south over Thomas Purdy's and make many circles around the Woolworth property and Bogtown section and finally mark to ground in a ledge along Turkey Hill Rd. We found another fox near Waccabuc but called hounds off as it was getting late.

Another run lasting over 3 hours was on Nov. 23. We met at the Town Hall in Salem Center, drew along the south side of Titicus and over Woolworth's. As we were almost through the Rocky Ledge along Turkey Hill we heard near the road the voice of Old Rigan, a 10-year-old hound who knows where to look for foxes, an instinct which so many of our present day hounds do not seem to possess. Hounds fairly flew to old reliable and for the first half hour we had trouble to keep up with them. Finally he ran out on the Island and then swung right, following the sandy shore for nearly a mile. Scent was poor except where he would step on stones. He finally came to a ledge which ran down into the Lake. This made him take across country and they ran very fast, crossed Route 121, and headed towards Waccabuc. Here he ran the shore of Lake Waccabuc to the Port of Missing Men. As the field had had enough and it was getting dark, hounds were lifted at a check.

We enjoyed a great day on Jan. 29,

when we met at the Kennels. The ground was very hard with plenty of ice, and very treacherous. We drew north over the R. L. Parish property and the Peach Lake and Star Ridge sections blank. As several followers had taken spills, we were drawing back towards Windswept when hounds opened up on a big red in Wallace's woodland. After two big circles around Battery Farm and Joseph Johnston's they crossed Delancey Road and on across Harry Caesar's. Evidently he belonged around the old

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Richmond Times-Dispatch)

THE FOX probably is the most misunderstood animal we have. He is the villain in children's stories the sly one in cartoons or fiction and the scapegoat for farmers. This unfortunate thinking had resulted in a great reduction of foxes in our state, and in some cases has seriously upset the balance of nature.

Let us look at the facts. Rodents, particularly meadow mice and barn rats, are the real enemies of crops and plant life. Since small animals of this type form the basic food supply for foxes, it is astonishing that the exact opposite attitude towards them does not exist. At the maximum rate of increase, with no mortality, a meadow mouse could have more than 1,000,000 descendants in one year. When we consider this astonishing multiplication we readily understand the fine scales on which Mother Nature balances things in her own way. Foxes, owls and haws are stabilizers. They are as necessary to a healthy countryside as rain and fertilizer.

We who enjoy fox hunting and riding to hounds as a sport are justifiably disturbed by the fact that the animal who furnishes the quarry for our chase is so often not given the same chance as other game birds and animals. Gunners, intent on shooting a deer, but bored by a long wait on a stand, frequently will pelt a fox just for the fun of it. Others, who set traps for foxes are at the same time setting up a serious hazard for hounds and valuable shooting dogs. Fox-hunters themselves jeopardize this sport when they dig a fox, particularly in the Springtime when there are young cubs. It is far better to leave a fox in his den to run another day.

Conditions in England

WE WOULD like to refer again to the conditions in England. There foxes are carefully protected and cared for during the Summer. Pheasants also are hand-raised or fed and watered during the nesting season. The same is true of partridges, grouse and other game birds. Yet, when the shooting season opens, there are no limits on the bag. Six guns on a pheasant drive frequently kill hundreds of birds. Partridges or grouse may account for even larger bags. In the same part of the country the local pack of foxhounds may account for as many as 50 or 60 brace of foxes in a season.

Recent studies by the New York State Conservation Department, which has heavily trapped foxes in one large area and left them entirely unmolested in a similar area, have shown that there was no appreciable increase in game birds in the trapped area. The Minnesota Conservation Commission is conducting an interesting study of foxes. They are walking fox tracks in the snow to determine range, food and other habits. So far they have covered over 700 miles of tracks. Before making their final report they intend to walk 1,000 miles, but preliminary reports show conclusively that game birds furnish only a small part of a fox's diet. Mice and other rodents are the principal food.

The truth of the matter is that it is unnecessary and unnatural to attempt to upset the balance of nature by heavily exterminating foxes or paying bounties for their pelts.

Golden's Bridge

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Winter property, where we enjoyed a great run and beautiful hound work. They crossed on the ice over the Lake on the Winter's property and ran west through the Haight orchards. As the sun had sunk in the west we called off on Michael Furio's along Route 22. It was dark before we reached the Kennels. This run was just over 3 hours.

Many of our other runs were short and we think this was due to mangy foxes. We now seem free of the mange; there is only one way to clean a country of it and that is to trap them out. While the fox has many enemies, we feel sure next year will provide many good sporting foxes. During the past season we enjoyed 2 joint meets with The Fairfield County Hounds and one with The Litchfield County Hounds. —B. F. F.

The Canadian Hunter

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ing how a successful horse was produced, and are useful in deciding whether or not an individual subsequently produced as a result of this Hunter improvement scheme is suitable for adoption and entry into the Canadian Hunter Stud Book.

Discourage Breeding of Unsuitable Mares—Perhaps the most important function of the inspection and registration of Foundation Brood Mares is indirect. Where the Society's inspectors examine and refuse to approve and register a mare, which mare the owner proposes to use for breeding purposes, the reasons for her rejection are discussed with the owner and usually result in the owner being dissuaded from breeding his unsuitable mare. This greatly reduces the production of poor offspring which, if produced, would discourage the owner from raising more Hunter type colts. As a result a better mare is usually found and used.

Purchasers Should Demand Certificates

Inspection of mares is of the greatest benefit to purchasers and they would greatly advance their own interest if they would demand Certificates of Breeding and so impress on sellers the desirability of registration and obtaining of Certificates. Inducing farmer breeders to obtain Certificates of Breeding for their foals has proven difficult. While very much larger numbers of foals have been produced, Certificates have been issued to only about 90 foals a year.

Growth of Canadian Hunter and Light Horse Improvement Society and Canadian Hunter Society

Each year the Societies have joint annual meetings which have grown from a small group of enthusiasts to a meeting of something like 150 people interested in Hunter Breeding in buying and selling and in using such horses. The combined experience of this group of persons is reflected in the operations of the Societies, their inspectors, their standards, etc. These hunter societies invite the useful co-operation of all persons interested in the production of more and better hunters, not only for actual fox hunting but also for showing, larking across country and hacking.

BRITISH HUNT FINANCES

It is a well-known fact that a great many people adopt any excuse, device,

and sharp practice to gain free admittance to race meetings. Some Hunts are complaining that some of their followers are equally intent upon enjoying their sport 'on the cheap'. In these days, when costs of maintaining a pack and hunting a country are annually increasing and the big subscribers becoming fewer and fewer, the financial outlook becomes more and more serious. John Jorrock was very outspoken about this, and said "If you waste your money in summer, you can't expect to have it to spend in winter, and then what becomes of your hunting, and what becomes of my hounds? There's nothing so difficult as getting a subscription to a pack of hounds. Chaps that would give a hundred a year to a cook, grudge a five-pound note to a pack".

Recently a well-known English ex-M. F. H. was equally plain with the Hunt Committee when he said "There are a lot who want to rely on those who have done their bit, in fact more than their bit. It is time the rising generation paid off for their sport. I don't know any hunts who have got reserves, and it is for this generation to pay up."

—J. F. B.

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Ponies of the New Forest

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(Organizing Secretary of the Ponies of Britain Club)

The ponies from the New Forest in Hampshire are undoubtedly the most familiar to the average visitors to England, for they can be seen any day of the year motoring or traveling by rail to and from Bournemouth, Poole or indeed any of the south-west coastal resorts, whereas other breeds are hidden away in the moors and mountains that gave them their names.

The New Forest ponies are almost too familiar. Recently the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in conjunction with the New Forest Cattle and Pony Society issued an appeal begging tourists not to feed the ponies from their cars, because this only encouraged them to linger along the roadsides where increasingly they get run into by night and day by fast moving traffic. This especially applies to the main roads through the Forest which are long and straight and where speeding is greatly indulged. No wonder then that these ponies are literally born traffic proof and for this reason, amongst others, make excellent children's ponies. They carry adults equally well and can be seen all through the autumn and winter months at meets of both fox and stag hounds taking the place, most economically of larger animals, and crossing treacherous bogs or galloping under the age-old over-hanging boughs of oak or beech trees more easily and safely than imported hunters. On Boxing Day they compete in their own point-to-point—a three mile point across open forest often carrying their owners, known as "Commoners," and this when the Forest is literally water-logged, and the going both tricky and extremely heavy.

Although any horse is entitled to be fed according to the amount of work it is asked to do and the weight it carries, the New Forest Pony Society advocates a policy of "no corn" for these ponies. But this really only applies to those used for children. Those ridden by adults are due their corn ration and certainly those that hunt and hack in the Forest earn it. Given corn and care, these ponies are capable of wonderful performances and all show specimens are undoubtedly corn-fed when young in order to insure that they mature correctly.

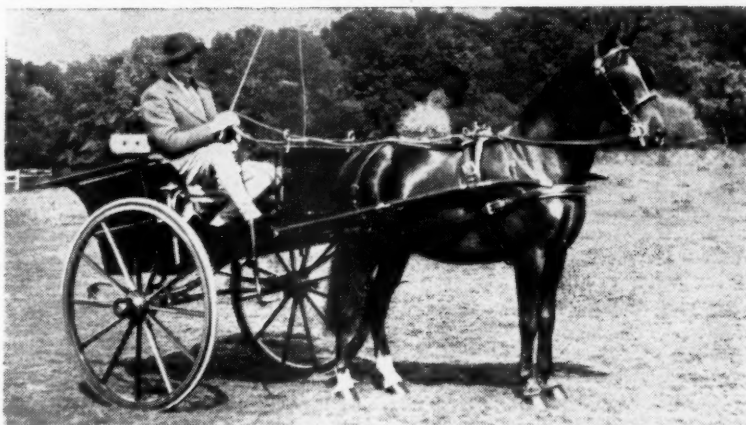
The Forest still savours very much of "1066 and all that". The Verderers still hold their forest courts ("swain-motes" is the ancient word for these) at the Verderers Hall, Queen's House, Lyndhurst. The Agisters who look after the cattle and ponies, still ride the forest moors and glades dressed in traditional costume—a dark green hunting coat and slouch hat, complete with breeches boots and leggings and a hunting whip. Their duties include rounding up the ponies, branding the youngsters, tail-marking the stallions, looking for the missing and attending to the

injured or sick. They also deal with the problem of the "lane-creepers". These are the ponies which learn that grass by the roadside, continually cut, is far sweeter and better than the sparse harsh herbage of the moors or the protein-less stuff that grows in the shade

they roam. This applies particularly to the wild stallions which once having picked their mares, stick to them, keeping more or less to the same "haunts" year after year.

It is also a duty of the Agisters to prevent "rustling"—that is stealing the ponies off the moors which alas was and still is very common, due to the meat shortage and to the high prices given for dog meat which costs as much, if not more, than that used for human consumption. The Agisters also mark all stallions before the Spring Stallion show held at Lyndhurst—by cutting their tail hair in "steps and stairs". Thereafter they are judged for the premiums given by the Racecourse Betting Control Board through the National Pony Society and turned out on the forest. Woe betide any other male which then enters upon another stallion's preserves.

The average height of a new Forest Pony is about 13 hands high. The modern trend is unfortunately towards breeding smaller rather than bigger animals which is a pity as the bigger type makes



(W. W. Rouch & Co.)

The author of this article driving the famous New Forest pony, Chocolate Soldier, a 12 hand high wonder pony that beat all the best in open classes and all the big shows for several seasons.



Leading New Forest mare, DOLLY GREY, bred and owned by Miss Olive Burry, Brockenhurst, Hants.

of the great old trees. They therefore wander along the roads into the villages and even the towns surrounding Southampton were the big ships berth. They then have to be caught up and impounded in enclosures or "Kraals" and there await being claimed by and literally bailed out by their owners whom the Agisters contact after having clipped the rough coats to ascertain what initials or brands lie under them. These "forest-bred" men know every pony and where

an excellent all-round active family pony. All seem too, to have been born natural jumpers, although there is nothing for them to practice over in the Forest. Indeed it is called the happy hunting ground of the elderly, those who have lost their nerve or who prefer watching hounds work rather than following in their wake. Personally I consider it takes a good nerve to cross the Forest flat out for both bogs and

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New Forest Ponies

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the boughs of trees present dangers.

The grey mare in the illustration is Dolly Grey—typical of the best of this versatile breed and a very good one indeed. She was champion all along the line as a youngster, as well as being champion Riding pony in the forest; has won at the National Pony Society and is now following this splendid record up by winning as a matron. She represented the Forest ponies at the Horse Show of the Year at Harringay in London last year.

The small black/brown pony (actually he barely measures twelve hands) in his vanished dogcart is Chocolate Soldier—one of the most justly famous ponies produced by this breed or any other. Bought for 50 shillings at Beaulieu Road Sales near Lyndhurst as a "sucker" he was shoved into a cart at two years old by a complete novice who then brought him to me to school for the shows. There he proceeded to win at all the really big shows and in Open classes. Finally he crowned his career by winning the Open Private Driving Class at the Royal Richmond Horse Show. This remarkable little gelding at his zenith trotted fifteen miles per hour, was completely tireless and the best of his size I have ever sat behind.

Maybe he had other blood in his small veins for the New Forest pony is the least "typy" of any of the British breeds. It has suffered throughout the ages from all sorts of experiments in breeding having had all manner of stallions turned out on the Forest, notably Arabs. These experiments have mostly failed. The produce cannot survive on the forest herbage nor stand the whole gales and torrential rain which in winter sweep the moors. As a result upgrading is mostly confined to private individuals who find that the Thoroughbred is the best type of stallion to cross with this already much exploited breed. It never-theless retains the hardiness, stamina and performance of its early ancestors who doubtless shared the honour (with other breeds) of appearing on the pre-Roman coinage of this land and of being transported back to Rome by our one-time conquerors who admired their sterling qualities.

Maryland Pony Breeders Hold Annual Meeting

The Park Plaza Hotel, Baltimore, Md., on Tuesday, March 1st, was the scene of the annual meeting of Maryland Pony Breeders, Inc., with most of the membership present, including those from adjacent states.

Previous to the meeting the President, Carl-Heinrich Asmis, had sent a report of the progress made during 1954 to all the members. The organization can take pride in the fact that under his guidance there was greater success in the established activities and new projects were added to its program as well as doubling the treasury.

After a delightful dinner the President called the business meeting to order. At the Annual Meeting, the main event is the election of nine directors to guide the organization through 1955. The nine elected by a large majority of votes are: Carl-Heinrich Asmis, President; Mrs. William Howard, Vice-President; Mrs. Charles Iliff; Miss Dorothy Hall; Mrs. Dean Bedford; Mrs. G. W. Barner; Clinton Pitts; George Titcomb; G. M. Rutledge. Mrs. Marian McCracken will act as Secretary while Mrs. Asmis

will carry on as Treasurer. Those two ladies will work hand in hand as they have on other projects.

Maryland Pony Breeders, Inc., have ready mapped out. Now under way is the rough plans for their activities all the Pony Issue of The Chronicle, due in April. Many articles and photographs on the pony breeders have been obtained. The organization is sponsoring this and all pony breeders and owners are urged to take advertising in this forthcoming issue. For information concerning advertising, contact Mrs. Marian McCracken, Secretary, Never Die Farm, Sykesville, Md.

Maryland Pony Breeders, Inc., is composed of persons interested in breeding and improvement of ponies and who endeavour to bring to the attention of breeders, farmers and others, the advantages of breeding to only purebred sires. Through the junior membership, the art of horsemanship, care, raising and training of young stock is encouraged.

For information concerning the organization, the Pony Issue of The Chronicle, the Annual Pony Yearling Show, and the Annual Fall Sale, contact Mrs. Marian McCracken, Never Die Farm, Sykesville, Md.

Ottawa, City of Ponies And Children, Form Second Pony Club Branch

Barbara May

When Adrien Van Sinderen judged the Ottawa Winter Fair Horse Show last October, he expressed surprise at the well-filled pony classes. He said he doubted if any other city in Canada or the United States could rival an entry of fifteen perfect turnouts in the Basket Cart class, complete in every detail from docile ponies and well-kept carts, to bobbing parasols and beribboned puppy dogs.

It was this same Basket Cart class, amongst other things, which clinched the writer's determination to stir up interest in forming a branch of the Pony Club in Ottawa.

After necessary approval had been obtained from the Canadian Pony Clubs Advisory Board, organization meetings were held, as a result of which numerous people promised their support.

The only difficulty seemed to be to find a willing victim as District Commissioner, everyone maintaining that it was too formidable a task. To prove that any job is easy, providing it's divided up amongst enough people, the writer eventually consented to organize a branch as Acting District Commissioner, stipulating that the branch remain Probationary for the first six months.

That was on December 13th, 1954. By March 1st, 1955, the Ottawa Valley Branch of the Pony Club had an active membership of ninety-nine youngsters, fifty-four of whom own horses or ponies. Of the remainder, a good percentage will ride their parents' horses or others provided through the kindness of friends. The majority of non-owners in the Aylmer District will be able to get mounts from the stable of Mrs. Lynette Ahearn, with the rest of the Districts well provided for.

This is Ottawa's second Pony Club branch. The original was one of the first three in Canada, and was host at the first Inter-City Rally held at the Seigniory Club, Montebello, in 1948. Formed in 1947 by Mrs. C. C. Mann, later Chairman of the Canadian Pony Clubs Advisory Board, it was dissolved in 1951 for various reasons.

One drawback in the previous Pony

The Whys Of Foxhunting

Elizabeth Ober

Hounds rarely see their quarry and it is solely due to the scent which the fox leaves as he goes and the wonderful nose of the foxhound that you enjoy sport. Mr. H. M. Budget in his book, "Hunting by Scent" explains the following fundamental principles. The scent of the fox emanates from the glands situated under the brush and on the pads, the former being the main source. It is imparted to any object which the fox touches, in the form of an oily substance. When these patches of scent oil come into contact with the air they give off molecules of gas. It is this gas carried by air currents which the pursuing hounds smell. As hot air rises so scent is thought to rise when the earth is warmer than the air. It is sucked into the ground when the air is warmer than the ground. Scent deteriorates on exposure to the atmosphere and rarely lasts more than 25 minutes. There is also a "body scent" which every animal gives off and this is quite distinct from the scent given off as oil from the gland. The body scent is only detected when the hounds are quite close to the fox—a matter of yards, depending upon the force of the wind. The strength of the scent also varies with individual foxes; dog foxes are considered to give off a stronger scent than the vixen, particularly in the breeding season.

Club had been the difficulty of transporting children and ponies from all over the city and surrounding suburbs to one central spot. We are, therefore, running the new branch along lines followed by most English branches, dividing it into Districts, each with its own Committee members and instructors, under the leadership of the Acting District Commissioner, assisted by Mrs. George Perley-Robertson as Chief Instructor.

Captain T. G. Maybury, M. F. H., is Honorary President. Other officers include Miss Susan Roberts, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Doreen Higgs, Membership Secretary; Miss Shirley Thomas, Rally Organizer; Committee Members—Mrs. Justin Bogue, Dr. D. R. Cherry, John M. Garland, Mrs. Fraser Hurdman, J. T. H. Leggett, Supt. R. A. S. MacNeil, Lieut.-Col. H. A. McKibbin, Major T. A.

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BOOKS



Undoubtedly the Pony Club of Great Britain is the most successful and significant of the several organizations devoted to the promotion of children's riding which have come into being during this century. Now boasting nearly 20,000 members in Britain its example has inspired branches and affiliated Clubs in many other of the English speaking countries, including the United States where, in a little more than a year's time, the United States Pony Clubs, Inc. has enrolled 25 member clubs containing more than 1200 children.

In reviewing for American readers this long awaited publication of the British organization, the first edition of its *Instructors Handbook*, one must necessarily consider its applicability to conditions in this country. At the outset it should be recognized that the teaching of riding in England presents a set of problems quite different from those confronting instructors in North America. In England there is only one generally accepted style of riding, in this country three-hunter seat, saddle horse seat, and stock saddle seat, to borrow the phraseology of the American Horse Shows Association. In England a much higher percentage of the population is interested in horses and riding, which in turn means that the number of available instructors per pupil is from 5 to 10 times greater than in this country. Finally, in England, Visiting Commissioners and other senior instructors are much more accessible since distances are so much shorter.

It follows that instruction in riding and instruction of instructors is relatively a smaller problem in England than in this country—a fact aptly illustrated by the number of pages devoted to riding instruction in the British Pony Club "bible", *"Horsemanship for the Pony*

Club"—41 pages out of a total of 172, the greater part being devoted to such topics as Saddlery, Horsemanship, Stables, Grooming, Shoeing, etc. (1954 edition). To these pages the *Handbook* frequently refers.

In the United States the situation is quite the opposite. We have no such national background of horsemanship, no such uniformity of style, no such number of instructors. The teaching of riding must therefore bulk much larger in any American program. What in England can be presented in summary form or taken for granted must here be spelled out in detail.

Following these preliminary remarks we come to the book itself. In an *Instructor's Handbook*, indeed in any book devoted to the teaching of riding, one would expect a text devoted to three principal considerations:—first, the theory on which instruction is based; second the routine of handling groups of mounted riders; and third the actual technique of teaching, the words and exercises necessary to show the pupil how to achieve the desired skills. This book is long on the second item, noticeably short on the first and third.

By far the greater part of the *Handbook* is devoted to the routines for handling group riding. The subject is set forth not only in broad outline, but in detail including remarks such as "At an afternoon Rally orange or lemon squash with some buns and cakes should be available before members start for home. Two or three dozen picnic mugs can usefully form part of the Branch properties."

The text is anything but specific when it comes to theory, however, which in general is avoided like the plague. Its attitude toward theory is apologetic rather than positive. The approach is well illustrated by this paragraph:—"Some typical lessons are given in Appendices I to IV.—It is easy for an instructor to work out a lesson on these lines on any subject which has to be taught. The intention in making the above suggestions and producing typical lessons is to help instructors, particularly those who are young or inexperienced. With practice, instructors will develop their own ways of teaching and of creating and maintaining interest. There is no intention here to be dogmatic, provided teaching is on sound lines and in accordance with Pony Club doctrine." (p. 12)

When it comes to the technique of teaching the text is equally brief and

summary. The lessons in the Appendix are in the most general terms. For example, the following: "By watching the instructor demonstrating and realising the reason for the application of the aids etc. it is surprising how often a rider improves his own seat without being muddled by being told to keep his legs, hands, body, in a certain position." (p. 38) One can agree that "it is easy for an instructor to work out a lesson on these lines", but one would hardly think they would be adequate "to help instructors, particularly those who are young or inexperienced."

Granting that they may be adequate for the young and inexperienced instructors of Britain, however, they are certainly inadequate for American instructors in this category. There are, of course, Pony Clubs and Riding Schools in this country whose instructors are well grounded in the theory and technique of teaching and who will undoubtedly find useful hints in the many sections devoted to group riding. But as a general article of export to the United States the book simply will not do. One can easily imagine the confusion it would create if presented as the sum of necessary knowledge to a newly organized Pony Club in a section of this country heretofore devoted solely to saddle seat or stock saddle riding. Even in most of our hunting sections it leaves much to be desired. For general American consumption we need quite a different type of book, one based on the technique worked out over many years by our individual teachers and by such organizations as the N. S. G. W. S. Riding Committee, one which will spell things out in such detail that it will in fact instruct our young and inexperienced instructors.

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(Darling Photo)

The Pony Club race winner at the Rappahannock Hunt point-to-point, Miss Beverly Harrison on Capt. J. L. B. Bentley's Charmaine. The event was for juniors under 18 years, riding ponies 14.2 and under over a half mile flat course.

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HORSE SHOWS

Boulder Brook (1)

Just because it's winter doesn't mean that one of the largest indoor arenas in the east is inactive; I think it is busier at Al Homewood's Boulder Brook in cold weather, and I mean cold.

This first of the winter club shows for the members only provided almost as stiff competition as found anywhere. The two advanced horsemanship classes were sticklers to judge, with all the riders riding basically the same seat. Barbara Friedemann and the two riding Heller boys, Bill and Bob, fought it out in both classes; with Barbara winning over fences with Bob second and Bill taking the flat class over Barbara.

Horsemanship classes are not the only competitions offered. The working hunter rounds were good, and it was Betts Nashem's wonderful mare, Honeybrook who out-performed Barbara Friedemann on her black mare, Thumb Hill. The hack class was won by another consistent show hunter, Penrod, owned by Sissy Duffy. It was Billy Heller on a jumping chestnut named Redi who climbed away with the open jumper class, after having gone clean.

CORRESPONDENT BEEP

PLACE: Scarsdale, N. Y.
TIME: January 30
JUDGE: Miss Barbara Pease

SUMMARIES
Senior class (over 20)—1. Betts Nashem; 2. Mr. Lamude; 3. Miss Robertson.
Advanced II—1. Cameron Russell; 2. Barbara Bongard; 3. Merle Cosgrove; 4. Nina Terry; 5. Jack Connelly.
Beginners I—1. Bert Bongard; 2. Sydney Munger; 3. Ann Fertig; 4. Roxanne Zoubek; 5. Julie Lobalbo; 6. Ellen Stott.
Beginners II—1. Andrea Agrell; 2. Jean Pascoe; 3. Jeff Stoffer; 4. Betsy Fertig; 5. Cathy Young.
Beginners III—1. Reggie Hawes; 2. Elaine Pascoe; 3. Pat Borden.
Advanced jumping—1. Barbara Friedemann; 2. Bob Heller; 3. Sissy Duffy; 4. Sue Byrne; 5. Bill Heller.
Working hunters—1. Honeybrook; 2. Betts Nashem; 3. Thumb Hill; 4. Barbara Friedemann; 5. Susan's Joy; 6. Ellen Bongard.
Intermediate I—1. Kathy Headley; 2. Pamela Biggar; 3. Naomi Arthur; 4. Carol Lent; 5. Didi Hadley.
Intermediate jumping I—1. Merle Cosgrove; 2. Nina Terry; 3. Barbara Bongard.
Intermediate jumping II—1. Ellen Bongard; 2. Cameron Russell; 3. Kathy Headley; 4. Carol Lent.
Working hunter hacks—1. Thumb Hill; 2. Susan's Joy; 3. Penrod; 4. Sissy Duffy; 5. Golden Glow.
Intermediate II—1. Betty Vaughn; 2. Sharon Sweeney; 3. Beth Coakley; 4. Sally Stevens; 5. Peter Hawes; 6. Ellen Bongard.
Beginners jumping—1. Pamela Biggar; 2. Ruth Arthur; 3. Peter Hawes; 4. Betty Vaughn; 5. Beth Coakley.
Intermediate III—1. Susan Powers; 2. Barbara Hogan.
Pleasure hacks—1. Penrod; 2. Imputar, Mr. Lamude; 3. Thumb Hill; 4. Susan's Joy.
Pair class—1. Lightning; 2. Silver Dawn; 3. Carol Lent; 4. Merle Cosgrove; 5. Golden Glow; 6. Main Attraction; 7. Bongard; 8. S. Duffy; 9. Kuskokim; 10. Imputar; 11. Heller; 12. H. J. Lamude; 13. Redi; 14. Sanson; 15. Heller; 16. J. Connelly.
Open jumpers—1. Redi; 2. Boulder Brook Club; 3. Thumb Hill; 4. Honeybrook; 5. Main Attraction; 6. Sissy Duffy.
Advanced I—1. Billy Heller; 2. Barbara Friedemann; 3. Bobby Heller; 4. Sissy Duffy; 5. Sue Byrne.

Boulder Brook (2)

The second of the winter shows at Boulder Brook was even larger than the first, as the flu bug seemed to have gone. The advanced equitation classes were again the exciting ones to watch and speculate upon. This month it was Jody Ragan on the lovely chestnut, Ashland, who jumped away with the top ribbon in the class over fences. After a change

off in the flat class Barbara Friedemann and Jody Ragan wound up second and third to Sissy Duffy.

C. T. Chenery's Ashland had a top round to win the working hunters over a good class. Penrod, owned and ridden most ably by Sissy Duffy, won the pleasure hack for the second time and Betts Nashem's Honeybrook took the hunter hack after a tough work-out. The judge asked that the hacks jump the first fence at a hunting pace and stop and trot over the second.

The open jumper class had several jump offs and was finally captured by Sissy Duffy on her new gray, The Orphan. Just for a school after the class Al Homewood raised the fence to 5 foot and had Sissy and the gray jump it in fine style.

CORRESPONDENT BEEP

PLACE: Scarsdale, N. Y.
TIME: Feb. 27
JUDGE: George Hudson

SUMMARIES

Senior class (over 20)—1. Betts Nashem; 2. Miss Wood; 3. Frank Melville; 4. H. J. Lamude.
Advanced II—1. Merle Cosgrove; 2. Cameron Russell; 3. Sue Cuddeback; 4. Nina Terry; 5. Barbara Bongard; 6. Jack Connelly.
Beginners I—1. Bert Bongard; 2. Roxanne Zoubek; 3. Sydney Munger; 4. Ann Fertig.
Beginners II—1. Jeff Stoffer; 2. Cathy Young; 3. Betsy Fertig; 4. Jean Pascoe.
Beginners III—1. Marilyn Franz; 2. Pat Borden; 3. Elaine Pascoe; 4. Fortune Pope.
Advanced jumping—1. Jody Ragan; 2. Sue Byrne; 3. Bill Heller; 4. Bob Heller; 5. Sissy Duffy; 6. Barbara Friedemann.
Working hunters—1. Ashland; 2. C. T. Chenery; 3. Main Attraction; 4. Sissy Duffy; 5. Susan's Joy; 6. Strawberry Hill; 7. Gale Fenbert.
Intermediate I—1. Kathy Headley; 2. Carol Lent; 3. Pamela Biggar; 4. Bobbie Robb; 5. Didi Hadley; 6. Jon Stoffer.
Intermediate jumping I—1. Nina Terry; 2. Barbara Bongard; 3. Sue Cuddeback; 4. Merle Cosgrove.
Intermediate jumping II—1. Cameron Russell; 2. Ellen Bongard; 3. Kathy Headley; 4. Jon Stoffer; 5. Carol Lent.
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Intermediate II—1. Ellen Bongard; 2. Beth Coakley; 3. Betty Vaughn; 4. Ruth Arthur; 5. Sharon Sweeney; 6. Judy Robb.
Beginners jumping—1. Pamela Biggar; 2. Betty Vaughn; 3. Beth Coakley; 4. Sharon Sweeney; 5. Ruth Arthur.
Intermediate III—1. Susan Powers; 2. Marina Stoffer; 3. Santini Pope; 4. Barbara Hogan.
Pleasure hacks—1. Penrod; 2. Strawberry Hill; 3. Ashland; 4. Susan's Joy.
Pair class—1. Ashland; 2. Jody Ragan; 3. Kuskokim; 4. Imputar; 5. B. Heller; 6. J. Lamude; 7. Eclipse; 8. Real Money; 9. Coakley; 10. J. Connelly; 11. Silver Dawn; 12. Lightning; 13. C. Lent; 14. M. Cosgrove.
Open jumpers—1. The Orphan; 2. Kuskokim; 3. Savage Lover; 4. B. Heller; 5. Golden Glow; 6. Bongard.
Advanced horsemanship—1. Sissy Duffy; 2. Barbara Friedemann; 3. Jody Ragan; 4. Bill Heller; 5. Sue Byrne; 6. Bob Heller.

Buffalo

The monthly schooling shows at Buffalo are becoming more popular with the spectators and exhibitors as each show is scheduled. The last show had a large spectator turn-out and the exhibitors put on a good show. The children's classes were well filled, some Canadian junior riders were there. Jeff Fraunheim on his Bayberry had a very good win in the novice jumpers and he also took home the blue in the children's jumpers. Teen-ager Jerry Jacobs was given quite an introduction over the loudspeaker when he made his appearance with his open jumper, it seems that Jerry had appeared with his horse on a T. V. program the previous evening, so his arrival caused much comment. After all this, the pair promptly took the wrong course—a lesser man would have turned up his coat collar and slunk

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All-round Horse Trials in England, 1955

Lieut. Col. C. E. G. Hope
(Editor of Light Horse)

The British Horse Society, who are the governing body of equestrian sports in Britain, have decreed that henceforth one and three-day events shall be known as "horse trials", which is a far more sensible and accurate description of this sport. I have added "all-round" to the title of this article in order to bring it into line with the continental nomenclature:—Epreuve du cheval complet—Concorso del cavallo completo—Vielseitigkeitsprüfung,—for the sport is indeed a comprehensive test of the obedience, and jumping abilities of the ordinary all-round riding horse—hunter, hack, point-to-pointer or what you will.

In 1954 there were 12 official events of this kind; this year there will be 17, including the international test at Windsor and the northern three-day trial at Harewood, not to mention an increasing number of unofficial meetings staged by various riding clubs, Pony Club branches, etc. Geographically the events are evenly distributed: 4 in the north, 4 in the Midlands, 3 in Scotland, 5 in the South and West and 1 in Wales; which shows how widespread the interest now is in this still comparatively new sport.

The season over here is in two parts; roughly from the end of March to the second week in June, and from the middle of August to the end of October; but if fixtures continue to pile up that already narrow gap will close completely. The best months, for the horses, are undoubtedly April and October, when the weather is just right. Having the asset of riding weather almost all the year round, the early start suits our horses very well, a point of view not shared by our continental friends, whose long winter makes the natural means of training—hunting—impossible.

After six years, Badminton (always at the end of April) has become an institution, much loved by riders and spectators alike and, it is right to say, the linchpin of our success in the international field. It seems odd not to see that name on the programme this year; however, we shall return there in 1956. Meanwhile Windsor, at Her Majesty's request, is to be the scene of our major all-round horse trial which is also the official European championship. That will be from May 18 to 21 (allowing two days for the "dressage" phase.)

So far as I can gather the test for this phase will be the existing one with the elimination of collected (rassemble) movements at the three gaits, this being the result of a decision of the F. E. I. General Assembly in December last, a change which should favour most English horses. Principal interest, however, centres on the second, endurance, phase with its cross-country run.

As a result of Basle there is likely to be an argument in the future as to how stiff this phase should be in an international competition; already there have

incidentally, lived to carry Aubry another five years before succumbing to Indian arrows in Arizona. Nearer home, horse and rider in the heyday of hunting would cover 50 miles a day, jumping too, as a matter of course. This sporting event is not an endurance test in that sense, but the point is sometimes forgotten is that these trials are a test of fitness of both men and horse, as well as of training and horsemanship. The total endurance phase for Windsor comprises about 17 miles, including 1¼ mile steeplechase and a 4-mile cross-country course of 34 jumps, with more uphill work in it than at Badminton, though considerably less than Basle provided.

This question of the toughness of the cross-country phase is important, because in this seventh year of horse trials as a competitive sport it is possible to



(Courtesy Pony-Light Horse)

Sherborne One Day Event—Cross Country, Capt. A. I. Castle on Late Final at Quarry.

been murmurs of cruelty. This is not the place to debate this question, but two points seem relevant: firstly, the Basle course presented no hardship to the really fit horse; secondly, an easy galloping course invites a race for bonus points, which really defeats the object of the exercise. Actionally, when one thinks of the feat of the dun mustang mare, Dolly, who in 1848 carried Francois Aubry 200 miles in 26 hours during his ride from Santa Fe to Independence, a 20-mile ride, with 47 jumps, does not seem very much to shout about. Dolly,

see developing many more levels and grades than the original open and novice, and the gap between the top and lower levels seems to be widening as the numbers competing increase. At the combined training conference in London last October the demand for some differentiation between open and novice courses was insistent and clear; ideas for meeting it tended to obscure, though the general short-term answer was agreed to be the provision of alternative fences, or the elimination of some, in the same course. The sport is not yet an economic proposition and able to provide double courses; it is still, happily, the hobby of enthusiastic riders who want the fun, denied them in many hunting countries now, of riding in the open over fences, and who begun to enjoy the interest and satisfaction of training their mounts to be something more than conveyances. Enormous crowds gather at Badminton every year, but they have not yet begun to do the same at other meetings, which must happen before the sport is fully self-supporting.

However that may be, the 1955 season starts with many grades of rider and horse. There is the complete novice or the not-so-novice owner of a horse, who can only ride on week-ends and cannot afford the time or money to get himself or his horse up to official competitive standards of training or fitness. The "LIGHT HORSE and PONY Week-end Rally", started in 1953, was the first move to cater for this level, and very popular it proved to be. Then there are

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F. W. C. Weldon on Kilbarry at Trechena.

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The six Districts, which cover both the Ontario and Quebec sides of the Ottawa River over a wide area, are at present adequate. As the need arises, however, other Districts can be opened up. The plan is flexible, with children assigned to the District where their ponies are stabled, rather than to the locality where they live. In some instances, children ask to be assigned to a District where they have special friends, and providing transportation isn't a problem, this is arranged.

This winter's heavy snowfall makes it doubtful that mounted instruction can start much before May 1st in individual Districts. Meanwhile, all Districts get together once a month for general dismounted meetings combining instruction and entertainment. In January, the children enjoyed an evening of "horsey" movies; in February, they went on a sleigh drive; this month they will get together for a skating party, and, in April, a visit to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police stables is planned. In May, we hope to visit the Dominion Experimental Farm, at the right time to see new foals and other young animals. Districts take turn acting as hosts. Members of twelve years and over will attend a lecture at the National Museum on "The History of the Horse" with a coloured film on "Horses of North America" later this month.

A monthly Newsletter helps in keeping members posted of coming plans, and gives them a feeling of "belonging".

Our youngest hard-riding member is a fearless four-year-old and we have several teenagers in the group, with the average age about ten. At least half our members are boys, which is an encouraging sign. All are enthusiastic, and amazingly well-behaved for such a large group with such a wide age-spread.

When our Probationary period ends in June, a Visiting Commissioner will be asked to inspect the branch, with a view to recommending to the Advisory Board that the Ottawa Valley branch of the Pony Club be recognized. It is hoped that, with the spadework which has already been done, there will be no doubt of this.

Those of us at the head of the Ottawa Valley branch feel we are building on a solid foundation and that, eventually, we will have one of the most thriving branches in North America. We can only keep our fingers crossed and hope that time will prove us right.

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Horse Trials in England

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Pony Club and riding club members, who reach a variety of standards, some of them heading for the official trials; for them there are likely to be more events than ever before, many under the aegis of the B. H. S. Affiliated Riding Clubs Committee and of course of the Pony Club. Finally there are several grades amongst the regular competitors in the main events. All this diversity of talent presents the course builder with a dilemma; whether to cater for the lowest level or the highest. Usually he compromises and has a course too easy for the high-grade horse and too difficult for the real beginner, flattering the former and disheartening the latter.

Thus the chief problem of the horse

trial organisers this season will be first, to encourage more and more people to take up this sport and persevere in it and second to test the top-grade riders in order to keep them at an Olympic standard.

Another problem which may become more acute as time goes on is how, without excessive expense, to vary the local cross-country courses year by year so as to prevent horses and riders becoming too well acquainted with them?

So far as competitors are concerned this year, we have a top group consisting of the Basle team Kilbarry (Weldon), Crispin (E. E. Marsh), Starlight (Miss Baker), Tramella (Miss Mason) and Bambi (Miss Hough), a long way ahead of the others. The nearest to them are Carmena (Miss P. Molteno), Delagyle (Major Birtwhistle), Epijune (Capt. Frisby), Strathcona (Captain Wathen), Burn Trout

(Major Weldon), Late Final (Captain Castle). The third group comprises Sandy Boy (Miss Bennett), Tudor Gal (Miss Holland), Owenmore (E. E. Marsh), Tessa (Miss Sutcliffe) Radar (Miss Johnson). After them there is an ever-increasing throng of novices.

As our objective is the Gold Medal at Stockholm, we can afford to be experimental this year and have an all-male team for Windsor, giving consideration especially to Strathcona and Late Final and their riders. Epijune is a gallant mare, better than her test marks indicate, but lacks the stamina for the Olympics. Burn Trout will be an Olympic horse, possibly next year, but he should not be pressed too much yet; the same applies to Delagyle. Colonel Llewellyn's St. Eeilo showed some promise last year, but he too is still a novice at

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POLO NEWS



Cornell University Trio Captures National Inter-Collegiate Indoor Crown

Bill Briordy

Cornell University's trio captured the National Intercollegiate indoor polo championship on Saturday night, March 5, by beating Yale, 19 to 5, at the Squadron A Armory. It was the Ithaca, N. Y., school's first crown since 1936. Last year's winner, New Mexico Military Institute, did not defend.

The favored Cornell riders encountered unexpected opposition from Yale in the first chukker, when the Elis outscored the champions, 3-2. However, the Big Red trio began to click in great style in the second period, getting six markers while keeping Yale scoreless.

Al Santa Maria slammed home ten goals for the winners. Camilo Saenz, who played only through the first half, tallies five times, and his substitute, Frank Geronimus scored twice. Al Mitchell, who made the other Cornell goal, turned in a strong job in interrupting Yale's goalward forays.

Cornell reached the final by beating Colorado A. & M., 15-3, on March 3, while Yale became Cornell's opponent with a 13-12 success over the University of Virginia trio of Mal Wall, Don Hannah and Sandy Bowers on March 1.

The March 5 program also included a first-round match in the inaugural of the Al Parsells Memorial tournament. In this game, the Long Island Rough Riders paced by Herb Pennell's six goals, beat the Meadow Brook Blue, 10-5.

The Parsells tournament has attracted eight teams. The others are Squadron A, Huntington, New York A. C., Commonwealth, New Jersey and Yale. Play is scheduled semi-weekly, with the final listed for March 19.

Yale
1. D. Barclay
2. J. Williams
Back F. Lutz
Yale —3 4 3 2 1—13
Virginia—6 0 4 2 0—12
Goals—Barclay 7, Williams 3, Lutz 3, Lutz 2; Wall 6, Hannah, Bowers 4, by No. 1 penalty 1. Referee—John Rice.

Cornell
1. A. Mitchell
2. C. Saenz
Back Santa Maria
Cornell —3 6 6 0—15
Colorado—0 1 1 1—3
Goals—Mitchell 4, Saenz 4, Santa Maria 4, Geronimus 2, by penalty No. 1, 1; Denison 2, Roth. Cornell substitutes: Mike Geronimus, Frank Lambier. Referee—John Rice.

Cornell
1. Mitchell
2. Saenz
Back Santa Maria
Cornell—2 6 5 6—19
Yale —3 0 0 0 2—5

Goals—Santa Maria 10, Saenz 5, Geronimus 3, Mitchell; Barclay 2, Lutz 2, Williams. Cornell substitute: Geronimus for Saenz. Referee—John Rice.

Rough Rireds
1. M. Sassone
2. H. Pennell
Back F. Zeller
Rough Riders—3 2 4 1—10
Blues —0 1 2 2—5
Goals—Sassone 2, Pennell 6, Zeller, by penalty No. 1, 1; Flynn 2, Lewis 2, by handicap 1. Referee—L. T. Whitehead Jr.

Blues

J. Flynn
P. Iglehart
Back H. Lewis

Yale Alumni Defeats Varsity—11 to 8

Ann Braun

Big Dave Williams banged five goals through the Yale varsity defense to spark the Alumni to a hard-won 11-8 victory in the annual Varsity-Alumni game at the Yale Armory on February 22.

Williams, brother of Yale captain Joe Williams and alumnus of the Class of '42, was the lone scorer for the graduates in the first period, when he knocked in three goals from his back position. Doug Barclay of Pulaski, N. Y., was close behind with four goals in two chukkers for the losers. Frank Butterworth, Class of '25, and Joe Williams contributed three goals apiece to their respective teams.

After a nip-and-tuck first half, which saw the teams tied 3-3 at the end of the first chukker and 6-6 at the end of two, the Alumni took complete charge for one whole period. Each alumnus hit the bulls-eye with one tally, as the varsity teamwork fell apart and they could not score once. The fourth chukker was again even-all with each team totaling two goals, but the damage had been done. The varsity opened that final period with two fast goals, one by Williams and the second by Fred Lutz at back, to close the margin to 8-7. But with three minutes to go, a pony goal for the Alumni broke up the rally, and actually decided the game. A final tally by Butterworth with a minute to go added the icing to the victory cake.

Alumni
1. M. Poutiatine
2. F. Butterworth
Back D. Williams
Varsity alternate—P. Jackson for Poutiatine. Scoring: Alumni—Williams 5, Butterworth 3, Poutiatine, Jackson, pony. Varsity—Barclay 4, Williams 3, Lutz. Scoring by periods.
Alumni—3 3 3 2—11
Varsity—3 3 0 2—8
Referee: C. W. Kellogg.

Yale

D. Barclay
J. Williams
F. Lutz

Gulfstream Defeated 8 To 7 at Delray Beach Before A Record Crowd

Jack Cartusciello

Almost 1500 spectators watched an all Texas polo team whip the Gulfstream squad in six fast and exciting chukkers on Sunday afternoon, February 20th. The crowd, second largest of the winter season, was as colorful as the play and the players.

The team from the lone-star state entered the match against a slightly stronger Gulf Stream foursome. Mike Phipps, Phillip Iglehart, George Oliver and Bill Mayer's total handicap strength is 30 goals. Texas could muster but 29 and a one goal handicap allowance was the deciding factor in the final score of 8-7.

Cecil Smith for Texas and Phil Iglehart for Gulfstream were high scorer of the afternoon with three tallies each. Phipps and Skidmore second with two each; and the remaining poloists scored one apiece.

The yellow-shirted Gulfstream team threatened to tie the score when Phil Iglehart smashed a ball between the goal posts late in the final chukker—it was Billy Skidmore's tally in the last minute of the same chukker that decided the game for Texas.

Gulfstream
1. M. Phipps
2. P. Iglehart
3. G. Oliver
4. W. Mayer
Scoring—Gulfstream Phipps 2, Iglehart 3, Oliver 1, Mayer 1. All Texas: W. Barry 1, W. Skidmore 2, Smith 3, Harrington 1, by handicap 1.
Gulfstream—1 1 0 2 2 1—7
All Texas —2 0 2 1 0 2—8 1 by handicap

All Texas

W. Barry
W. Skidmore
C. Smith
R. Harrington

Umpires: Harold Barry, Stewart Iglehart. Referee A. B. Wharton. Timer—Scorer: Bill Gray.

Huntington (L. I.) Trio Retain Sherman Trophy Indoor Handicap Title

The well-rounded Huntington (L. I.) trio retained the Sherman Memorial indoor polo handicap title on Saturday night, Feb. 26, by beating New York, 12 to 11, in the final round match of the annual tournament at the Squadron A Armory.

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Huntington (L. I.) Trio

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A capacity turnout of 1,000 saw the Huntington side of Ray Koch, Vince Rizzo and Joe Rizzo take the honors after setting the pace most of the way.

New York, with Joe Schwartz, Dave Ellis and Frank Rice, was unable to find the range in the first chukker, being outscored, 4-0. The losers by no means were outplayed by a wide margin. In fact, after trailing by as much as 6-0, New York managed to fight back for a 10-all tie.

This exciting match saw Huntington break the deadlock with two swift goals. This margin proved enough to stand off New York's final marker. Vince Rizzo was high scorer with six goals, while Schwartz paced his side with five. At the half-way point Huntington held a 7-5 edge.

In the second game of the Feb. 26 card, Phil Brady paced his team with six as Manhattan beat the Ramblers, 14-11. Herb Pennell starred for the Ramblers with five tallies.

On Feb. 24 at Squadron A, New York

Hawks Vanquish Chiefs Shamrocks Top Ramblers In Chicago Indoor Polo

N. J. Schmitz

The Hawks assured last place in the Central Division for the Chief team by defeating them soundly 12-9 on Saturday night, Feb. 28. Dave Kenney, Joe Jiambalvo, and Cob Yarrington did most of the scoring for the Hawks. The Hawks team is definitely in contention for the league lead being right up with the Lancers and Cadets. Phil Kay, Andy Lynch, and Art Mertz all turned in good performances, but the Chiefs are having a difficult time ejecting themselves from the cellar. Phil Kay and Dave Kenney are both first year indoor players and good progress can be seen in them and their play this season. It is encouraging to see newly interested players doing so well and lustily enjoying the game as they evidently do.

In the second game the Shamrocks gave the Ramblers another defeat, and with nice cooperation between George

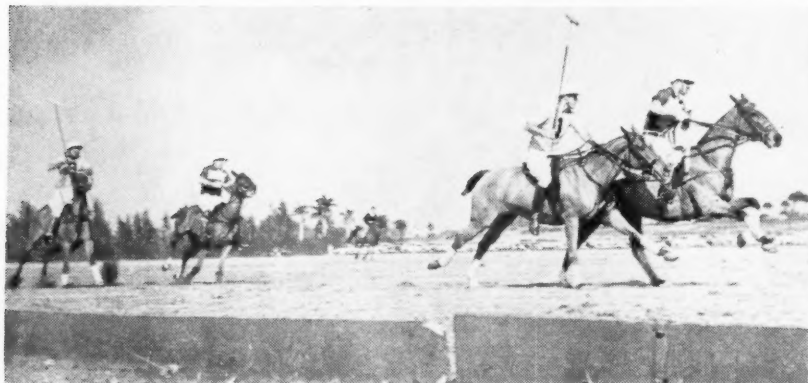
Cornell Scores 10-9 Victory Over Colorado

Mike Kelley

Playing in the comparatively small hall at Ithaca proved to be a little difficult for the Colorado team in their recent game with Cornell. The familiar size hampered the visiting team for most of the game. It wasn't until the last chukker that things really got rolling. Cornell had its troubles too with the absence of their co-captain Santamaria, but the other half of the captaincy, Camilo Saenz, contributed five goals to the total score of ten goals for Cornell. Up to the end of the third chukker the score was Cornell 8 Colorado 5 and it was during the last period that Colorado banged in four goals to Cornell's two, making it a tight finish. Just to keep the excitement up, a bolt of lightning hit a nearby building during the game—no damage done but the horses in the stables raised a general commotion for several minutes, all this during a peaceful polo game.

Cornell	Colorado
1. Geronimus	Denson
2. Saenz	Keffeler
3. Lambeer	Roth
Mitchell	Wedmore
Shimp	Ericsson

Scoring—Cornell: Geronimus 1, Saenz 5, Lambeer 1, Mitchell 1, Shimp 1, Jony 1. Colorado: Denson 3, Keffeler 2, Roth 1. Cornell —2 5 1 2—10
Colorado—1 2 2 4—9



(T. P. Wyatt Photo)

Mike Phipps, Gulfstream's number one, races Ray Harrington, Texas number three, to the ball in a match between the two teams at Delray Beach, Fla.

gained the Sherman final round by taking the measure of Long Island, 15-10. In this clash, Schwartz hit eleven goals. New York, which produced six markers in the fourth chukker, led by 8-7 at intermission. Archie Young led Long Island with five goals.

New York	Long Island
1. J. Schwartz	D. Chazy
2. D. Ellis	A. Young
Back F. Rice	Back F. Zeller
New York —3 5 1 6—15	
Long Island—1 6 2 1—10	
Goals—Schwartz 11, Ellis 2, Rice, by penalty No. 1, 1; Young 5, Zeller 4, by penalty No. 1, 1. Referee—Walter Nicholls.	

Huntington	New York
1. R. Koch	J. Schwartz
2. V. Rizzo	D. Ellis
Back J. Rizzo	Back F. Rice
Huntington—4 3 2 3—12	
New York —0 5 3 3—11	
Goals—Koch 4, V. Rizzo 6, J. Rizzo 2; Schwartz 5, Ellis 4, Rice, by No. 1 penalty 1. Referee—Walter Nicholls.	

Manhattan	Ramblers
1. G. Haas	G. C. Sherman Jr.
2. P. Brady	H. Pennell
Back Mason	Back P. Packard
Manhattan—3 5 3 3—14	
Rambler —3 1 3 4—11	
Goals—Haas 2, Brady 6, Mason 2, by handicap 1, by No. 1 penalty 1, by pony 2; Sherman 2, Pennell 5, Packard 4. Referee—L. T. Whitehead, Jr.	

Cokinis, forward for the Shamrocks and Pat Connors, center, who tied Bill Stevens for the first place in the individual scoring by putting in 6 goals. Cokinis scored 5. Celso Lopez played a good game alternating for Jim Kraml, who is layed up with a back injury. Miles, Delmar and Smithson work well together, as always, but lost by four goals, one of which was a pony goal awarded to them. The Knights will see action in the next three Saturdays and it appears they are well ahead of opposition in the Midwest Division.

Hawks	Chiefs
1. D. Worland	P. Kay
2. J. Jiambalvo	A. Mertz
3. C. Yarrington	A. Lynch
Alt. D. Kenney	C. Lee
Scoring: Hawks: Worland 1, Jiambalvo 4, Yarrington 4, Kenney 3. Chiefs: Kay 3, Mertz 3, Lynch 2.	
Hawks—3 1 3 5—12	
Chiefs—2 1 2 4—9	

2nd Game	Ramblers	Shamrocks
	1. W. Miles	G. Cokinis
	2. H. Dalmar	P. Connors
	3. P. Smithson	C. Lopez
	Alt. J. Armstrong	J. Kraml
	Scoring—Ramblers: H. Dalmar 4, P. Smithwick 2, Pony 1. Shamrocks: George Cokinis 5, Pat Connors 6.	
	Ramblers —3 0 2 2—7	
	Shamrocks—1 4 5 1—11	

General Public Shows Renewed Interest In Santa Barbara Polo

Evelyn Hill

The month of January saw the start of what promises to be a busy and successful season at California's outstanding polo club at Santa Barbara. Turf on the club's three fields is in its usual splendid condition and ready for the heavy play of over thirty players who have gathered from all over the Western States for the forthcoming tournaments.

An 8 goal tournament has already been with the Woodside team, consisting of Rufus Hayden, Bud Linfoot, Pat Linfoot, and Bob Bahr, emerging victors in the finals by defeating the San Francisco Painters 9 to 7. The Painters team was composed of Bill Hickey, Hiram King, Bill Linfoot, and Tommy Rudd.

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Santa Barbara Polo

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The 10 goal tournament for the Harry East was scheduled for the latter part of February. Woodside offered a formidable threat with the father-son combination of Pat and Bul Linfoot at numbers 3 and 2 respectively. Both are aggressive and always a threat when in the vicinity of the goal. Another member of the polo-playing Linfoot family, Dr. Bill, has also been outstanding in the quality of his play on the Santa Barbara turf this season.

The general public is showing a renewed interest in polo at the California club this year. Manager, Harry East and Pacific Circuit Governor, L. C. Smith have done a fine job of public relations with press, through whose cooperation there has been better sports coverage of the games than in previous years. The result is that crowds attending games have been larger than ever before.

Other tournaments scheduled to take place during the season are the Intracircuit, the Jim Colt, and the Pacific Coast Junior Championship. Games are

Virginia for the game high of eight tallies. Captain Joe Williams of Camden, S. C. scored twice, and Fred Lutz of Scarsdale, N. Y., once.

The teams agreed to play on the flat, although Mount Carmel carried a total handicap of seven goals to Yale's one (Williams), with Marenholz rated at four and Butterworth at three.

In addition to Marenholz' field-length tally—that left a Freshman From Weekend crowd gasping—he and Williams contributed to the thrills with bulls-eyes from the mid-field throw-in!

Mount Carmel

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| 1. J. Hettinger | D. Barclay |
| 2. F. Butterworth | J. Williams |
| Back A. Marenholz | F. Lutz |

Yale

Mount Carmel alternate—Mike Poutiatine (No. 1).

Scoring: Mount Carmel—Marenholz 7, Poutiatine 5, Hettinger 4, Butterworth 3. Yale—Barclay 8, Williams 2, Lutz. Scored by periods:

Mount Carmel—6 7 3 3—19
Yale —3 2 1 5—11

Referee: C. W. Kellogg.



(Evelyn Hill Photo)

Bill Linfoot makes a goal during 10-goal tournament at Santa Barbara, Calif. Others left to right: Hiram King, Tommy Budd, and Bill Hickey.

scheduled daily at the Santa Barbara Polo Club with both a morning and afternoon session on Sundays. All this offers a lot of polo for players and spectators alike.

Mount Carmel Outlaws Defeat Yale Varsity 19-11 at Yale Armory

Ann Braun

Al Marenholz of Mount Carmel, Conn., hitting the goal from every possible angle and distance—including the opposite end of the field—pounded home seven goals from his back position to lead the Mount Carmel Outlaws to a decisive 19-11 count over the Yale Varsity on February 26 at the Yale Armory.

The Outlaws were composed of two genuine Mount Carmelites, Marenholz and Frank Butterworth, plus two jayvee riders, senior John Hettinger of Pawling, N. Y., the team's player-manager, and sophomore Mike Poutiatine of Loudonville, N. Y., who spelled each other at the forward position. Poutiatine contributed five goals in two periods with Hettinger adding four more in the same playing time. Butterworth, at pivot, knocked in three goals.

Doug Barclay, a senior from Pulaski, N. Y., was outstanding on offense for the losers, repeating his tactics against

Cornell Varsity Plays Fast Game With Coaches To Win by Scant Margin

Mike Kelley

Speed was the keynote at the game between the Cornell team and the coaches as this match was just about the fastest played at Cornell this year. The game opened with a handicap of four goals in favor of Cornell since the Big Red team is rated at two goals and the team of coaches was made up of six goals. This proved to be a deciding factor in the outcome of the game.

The first chukker started things off at a merry pace as Saenz and Santa Maria passed three quick throw-ins to Mitchell and he completed the play with three goals. The play was open and resembled a game of pool in the paly of rebounds off the walls. This hall, sometimes likened to a sardine can, has often confused teams, unfamiliar with its tricks, but the coaches were wise. They came back in a slower second chukker to score six goals to Cornell's one. The third chukker had the crowd up and cheering at the fine team work of the Cornell co-captains Saenz and Santa Maria as they bore down on the coaches to outscore them 6 to 2. The game was in Cornell's favor going into the final period when Fred Rice, playing for the coaches, really went into action. Backed by Frank Paige who kept the Cornell

No. 1 man well tied up, plus the competent assistance of Steve Roberts, he started a scoring spree that accounted for five goals for him and one for Roberts, when the final bell rang.

Cornell

1. A. Mitchel
2. M. Geronimus
3. Saenz
- A. Santa Maria

Coaches

- S. Roberts
- F. Rice
- F. Paige

Scoring Cornell: A. Mitchel 3, Geronimus 1, Saenz 6, Santa Maria 3, by handicap 4. Coaches: Roberts 6 Rice 8, pony 1.

Cornell—5 1 6 1—17 by handicap 4.

Coaches—1 6 2 6—15

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Santa Barbara Scene Of National 12-Goal Open & Inter-Circuit Matches

Santa Barbara, California, has been selected as the scene of the National 12-goal Open and the Inter Circuit polo games in the fall. This is the first time in the history of American polo these games have been played in California. The selection of Santa Barbara is due to the untiring efforts of L. C. Smith, Governor of the Northern Division for the U. S. Polo Association.

Fleischman Field, where the tournaments will take place, has three beautifully kept playing areas. The Field is owned and supported entirely by C. H. Jackson, Jr., who maintains here a very fine plant for polo, having facilities for the care of approximately 300 horses. Its club house is one of the best. Mr. Jackson has been a friend of polo for many years, and has offered the use of his fields to encourage the participation of all players. He and his wife, Ann Jackson, are both fine players. They have two sons who also play—Palmer Jackson, attending Stanford University and C. H. Jackson III, attending Yale.

Mr. Jackson's fields are attracting many players for the spring games, and an even larger group of polo enthusiasts, from all over the country, is expected in the fall. —M. B.

Palm Beach Polo

One of the largest crowds ever to see a polo game in this area Sunday saw Jules Romph and Del Carroll score four goals apiece to lead the Palm Beach Polo team to a 9-7 triumph over El Ranchito. It was the first game played on the No. 1 field of the new Palm Beach Club west of the city, and was a benefit for St. Mary's and Pine Ridge Hospitals.

Carroll punched a shot home in the opening chukker and Palm Beach was never behind. At the half the score was 4 to 2. Len Bernard, Jr., tallied the ninth Palm Beach marker, while Fred-eric Collin held down the back position.

Billy Mayer, whose pony fell with him near the end of the fifth period, led El Ranchito with four goals. Mayer rolled clear in the spill, and neither horse nor rider was injured.

Buster Wharton, Chuck Leonard and Bill Skidmore completed the lineup and tallied once apiece.

Scored by periods:

Palm Beach 121 212 9
El Ranchito 011 122 7

Referee: Bob Ackerman

Horse Trials in England

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the game. Crispin may be considered too old at rising 15 to compete again; if so, a mount must be found for Bertie Hill, who is perhaps the best horseman in the country today. It would be interesting to see how Starlight went for him.

Added interest and freshness to the season will come from the presence of Australian riders and horses, having a preliminary run in Europe before the Olympic games. Their form is an unknown quantity, but, unless the Australian horse has changed its quality since I knew it, not a few bonus points should be picked up over cross-country courses. Australians—horse and man—know how to go!



(Hialeah Photo)

W. L. Huntley's Rosemary B. (#1) was a surprise winner in the Black Helen 'Cap at Hialeah, 1½ miles for fillies and mares. She is a brown daughter of Tiger Hobby, by 'Swift and Sure, and was bred by T. C. Piatt.

Book Review

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One wonders whether the book can actually be adequate in England.

Lieut. Col. C. E. G. Hope, Editor of the British publication "The Light Horse" in speaking of British Horse Shows says in the Feb. 1955 issue (p. 272): "Frankly in juvenile classes the ponies are wonderful, the standard of the riders abysmal. Why can't we have equitation classes for young riders in this country along the lines of the Maclay classes in U. S. A."

British Pony Club Instructor's Handbook. British Horse Society, London, 1955. pp. 72 plus 19 diagrams, 4 Shillings.

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Horse Shows

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out, but young Jacobs just sat there and roared with laughter at his own mistake.

CORRESPONDENT
MIKE KELLEY

PLACE: Buffalo, N. Y.

TIME: Feb. 27

JUDGE: John Vass

SUMMARIES

ASPCA horsemanship—1. Peter Schmitt; 2. Marilyn Metcalf; 3. Wade Stereson; 4. Sally Forman.

AHSA medal class hunter seat—1. Marilyn Schutrum; 2. Peter Schmitt; 3. Lisan Jacobs; 4. Jeff Fraenheim.

Horsemanship 10 yrs. to 18—1. Paula Parker; 2. Richard Wehle; 3. Jill Northway; 4. Robert Spitzmiller.

Horsemanship under 10—1. Carol Joe Schmitt; 2. Susan Howe; 3. Jennifer Jacobs; 4. Elizabeth Hunter.

Novice jumpers—1. Bayberry, Jeff Fraenheim; 2. Early Hour, James Forman; 3. Hogan San Joy Farm; 4. Country Girl, Diane Victor.

Amateur jumpers—1. Fencer, Okie Keck; 2. What Cheer, Elton Bream; 3. Iron Major, Joseph Haley; Mr. Bedford, Joan Brunner.

Children's jumpers—1. Bayberry; 2. J & TP, Thomas Poque; 3. Lady Bing, Peter Schmitt; 4. That's My Boy, Lisan Jacobs.

Open jumpers—1. Killarney, Ken Merle; 2. Galloway Bay, Robert Greer; 3. Big Deal, San Joy Farm; 4. Fencer.

Progressive jumpers—1. Replica, San Joy Farm; 2. Mike, Jerry Stevens; 3. Iron Major; 4. Killarney.

Knockdown-&-out—1. Big Deal; 2. Sun Briar, Jerry Jacobs; 3. Killarney; 4. Fencer.

Working hunter hack—1. Strideaway, Elizabeth Ginther; 2. Sleepless Night, James Forman; 3. Hogan; 4. Lets Cheer, Elton Bream.

Green hunters—1. Hunters Luck, San Joy Farm; 2. Sleepless Night; 3. Dominica, Dr. E. Sugnet; 4. J & TP.

Teach our hunting people to be able to sit properly on a horse, to have good hands, to leave a horse alone when he's crossing a rough country, to help him when needed, to use judgment and plain common sense. Show me a few more men like Pete Bostwick, Jack Hance and the late Oliver Dixon of England who could, and did, ride any kind of a horse—hunters, chasers, polo ponies, and get the best results from what they had, and were always there. But don't, please don't, try to induce the average rider to try dressage; you'll get too many horses ruined and too many people hurt.

J.W.C. Jackson

Vestavia Country Club
Birmingham, Alabama

Please Correct

Dear Sir:

Read your article published Dec. 31, 1954, Mr. Peter Hauck (not Hanek) was the gentleman I rode for when winning the Archdale Cup, please correct. My nephew, a subscriber and admirer of your Chronicle, I taught to ride at the age of 3 years; at the age of 5 years he was winning prizes at horse shows, later on he won many jumping classes and championships at all the principal horse shows and one steeplechase for Mr. Janon Fisher and rode in the Maryland Hunt Cup. I am now 75 years old, have ridden chasers, show jumpers and won many contests, and so can speak from experience. I, with many horsemen, consider Mr. Lomas in his day was the best jumping rider out; in fact the late Colonel John Bussey, when I met him at the Essex Troop Armory in New Jersey told me he had never seen his equal here or in Europe.

I would like to say that the article by Col. J. W. Wofford did my heart good to read.

I trust many will follow his advice, it is about the same way a man and horse would (or should) be trained for the Grand National. If a horse has weak underpinning, I advocate breaking him to drive, starting at about 5 miles per day and going up as far as 30 miles up and down hill.

Yours truly,

Karl Whittindale

Berwyn, Pa.

Letters To The Editor

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going to rely on you implicitly to place him over the jumps in the hunting field, country for country, you are soon going to be upside down and it'll be "Good-by hounds." I know, I've tried it,—the hard way, I've hunted in England, Ireland and America with many hunts, ridden good, bad and indifferent horses.

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New Jersey Racing News

Arthur E. James

Booked to Market Wise

The George Gordon Paton's of Lambertville are sending their mare Santa's Blitz, by Okapi, to Market Wise, sire of Sam Tufano's recent Letellier Handicap winner, Wise Margin. Wise Margin's winnings have reached well over the \$125,000 mark, having previously accounted for the 1954 Massachusetts Handicap and the 1954 Gulfstream Park Handicap. Market Wise, who holds the American 2-mile record, is also the sire of To Market, winner of \$367,325, and recently retired to stud at A. B. Hancock's Claiborne Farm.

The Pegasus Club

A group of Monmouth County horsemen have joined together to form a horsemen's luncheon club, which has been called the Pegasus Club, and is slated to meet the third Tuesday of each month. The objective of the group is to bring together men representing the various phases of the Thoroughbred industry in order to promote good fellowship and better understanding among Thoroughbred interests. The first meeting was held February 15 and was attended by over fifteen local horsemen. The next meeting will be held March 15.

Tea Leaves Destroyed

Marise Farms, Eatontown, was recently forced to destroy the good producing mare Tea Leaves, the dam of a number of good winners, including the two \$100,000 winners Tea-Maker and Sweet Dream.

8 Head Training

Steve Boland of Lincroft Farms, Lincroft, has eight head training on the half-mile track there. Three were recently purchased from the South Carolinian E. M. O'Brien. Also at Lincroft Farm, Charles Burke reports 1½ mares already booked to his stallion Helvetian who sired last year's outstanding Jersey-Bred 2-year-old Hello Mom, as well as the stakes winner Helbo.

Booked to The Pimpernel

Charles Friedfertig, whose stallion The Pimpernel stands at Charles Sabatini's Chasmar Farm Annex, Spring Lake, has shipped his mare, Miss Cheesecake there to be bred. The Pimpernel is standing his first season at stud at Chasmar and Manager Frank Cook has been advised that several more will be shipped in from the south within a few weeks.

Hill Prince 2-year-old

Fred Killion of Verona has sent his 2-year-old by Hill Prince to Bowes Bond in Maryland for training. His mare Bon Lynn is at the Pistorio Farm, Ellicott City, Md. to be bred to Tuscany.

Mad Bunny to Spy Song

Del Brier Breeding Farm, Shrewsbury, has shipped Mad Bunny (dam of the stakes winner Bunny's Babe, and also dam of Bunny's Best, winner of the 1954 Yearling Show of the THBA of NJ), and Terminal Leave (dam of the 1954 winner Bestterm), to Kentucky. Both mares are barren this year, and the Delaney's are taking this opportunity to breed them in the Blue Grass State. Mad Bunny will be bred to Spy Song and Terminal Leave will go to Phalanx.

Shipping Out

George S. Howell recently shipped 30 Thoroughbreds to Laurel from his Tourelay Farm, Scobeyville. Included were seven for the Milton Erlangers of Oakhurst, among them two promising im-

ported 3-year-olds, one by *Royal Charger and the other by Tehran; five for the Townsend B. Martins of Locust; twelve for Mrs. William E. Snell of Vineland, including the 2-year-old Jersey-Bred Unbreakable—Rampart colt purchased at Saratoga from the Meadowview Farms' consignment for \$16,500 and four who will race under the Howells own silks this year, headed by Punkin Vine, winner of last year's Ventnor Handicap at Atlantic City and the Choice Stakes at Monmouth.

5 to Brookdale Farm

Oak Glen Farm, Red Bank, has shipped four horses to Tom Harraway at Brookdale Farm, Lincroft, to be readied for the coming New Jersey Campaign. Two of the draft are by Neddie who stands at Oak Glen, owned by Mrs. W. W. Vaughan. Neddie, who is now 29 years old, has sired winners of over \$2½ million, and although he has not been bred to many mares each season in recent years his list of winners is of imposing proportions. Robert Burd of Pluckemin has shipped his 3-year-old Magic Ten to Harraway for training, also.



(Santa Anita Photo)

The three leaders driving to the wire in the \$100,000 added San Juan Capistrano 'Cap, 1¼ miles over turf at Santa Anita—Gardiner and Alberta Ranches' *St. Vincent (#10) was the eventual winner by a half length over A. J. Crevoilin's game Determine (wearing Blinkers). Joe W. Brown's Gigantic (#3) finished in the show position.

3 For Nearway

Tommy Heard has shipped three mares, Miranda Z., Chickie C. and Virginia Oaks from Woodland Farms, Middletown to Frank Minor's Woodbourne Farm (formerly the Village Farm) in Langhorne, Pa. to be bred to Heard's stallion Nearway who stands there.

New Jersey-Breds

New Jersey-Bred horses won 25 races during January and 23 in February. This is a very creditable record when one considers that most of the home-breds are turned out during the winter months.

Granheart

Meadowview Farms' reports that their mare Granheart foaled a full brother to Decimal and Granule, by Slide Rule, February 25. Granheart, the last daughter of Sweetheart, is the dam of Case Ace, Warrior Lass, Psyche, Appeal, etc. She will be bred to Your Host.

To Improve Sales Condition

Recent conversations with Fasig-Tipton President, Humphrey Finney, indicate that much planning is being done by that organization and the Garden State Park management to improve the sales ring and stands for the 1955 Yearling Sales at the Camden oval. Both are en-

thusiastic with the sales potential offered by this central East Coast location as a result of the 1954 experiment. Many breeders have expressed an interest in consigning to the Garden State Sale to be held the latter part of September. As before, the Sale will be restricted to Yearlings only. A horses-in-training sale will be scheduled a few days later in New York.

Booked to Fort Salonga

Charles Lawrence of Brookdale will send his mare, Rush Light, dam of Rush Prince, Opera Light, etc. to S. P. Steckler's Fort Salonga who is standing his first season at Ruvan Farm, Morristown.

Bunny's Babe in Derby

Jack Delaney has been informed by Col. E. P. Bixler, who is visiting on the West Coast, that Bunny's Babe (Attention—Mad Bunny) is training well and will run in the Kentucky Derby. Also training very well is Bunny's Best, a half-sister to Bunny's Babe, by Best Seller.

Renovation Program Underway

Mrs. E. H. Ellis of Dhu Varren Farms, Far Hills, has recently returned from

California where she attended the opening day at Santa Anita. The renovation program at Dhu Varren is well underway with great progress being made. Most of the fencing has been completed and work is being rushed on the stabling facilities which will eventually provide space for another twenty-five horses. Tentative plans are also being reviewed for the possible construction of an exercise track.

Three of their mares have been shipped to Kentucky where they will be bred to *Shannon II, Great Circle and Some Chance. Like many Jersey Thoroughbred breeders the Ellises are taking advantage of the Jersey Bred rules of registration and are returning the mares to New Jersey to foal so that the foals will be eligible to start in races restricted to New Jersey-Breds.



Rappahannock Hunt

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3. Sailor Queen, (Mr. & Mrs. D. W. Patterson), Elsa Mitchell.

4 started and finished; also ran: Oliver Durant II's D-Major, Joe Kincheloe. Scratched: Chips, Small Change, A-Bit-Fine, Wee Jeep, Spanish Mister.

THE RAPPAHANNOCK BOWL, abt. 3 mi., tim. Closed race for gentlemen. Minimum weight 200 lbs. Winner: b. g. (10) by Sir Walter—War Bob, by On Watch. Breeder: J. P. Jones.

1. Warsir, (Mildred B. Fletcher), Mr. Stokes Lot.

2. Woodsman, (Nancy N. Wood), E. Jenkins.

3 started; 2 finished; also ran: Pulled up: Reginald Vickers, Jr.'s Old Crow, Reginald Vickers, Jr. Scratched: Wet Moon, Cinderella.

THE MOUNT SALEM, abt. 2½ mi., tim. For ladies. Catchweights. Winner: b. g. (8) by Good Goods—Campship, by Campus Capers. Breeder: Mrs. Emil Denmark. Disq. Figatarsme, (Patty Weymouth), Miss Patty Weymouth.

1. Good Ship, (F. P. Sears, Jr.), Mrs. Dulany Randolph.

2. Chickamauga, (T. E. Taylor), Mrs. Richard Fadley.

3 started and finished. Scratched: Sorta Tamer.

THE MOUNT MARSHALL AND THE BATTLE RUN, abt. 3 mi., tim. Open race for gentlemen. Minimum weight 175 lbs. Winner: br. m. (6) by Star Beacon—Herodine, by *Dear Herod. Breeder: Mrs. G. Pierce Metcalf.

1. Star Salome, (Dr. J. M. Rogers), Dr. Joseph M. Rogers.

2. Charoton, (Cyrus Manierre), Mr. Cyrus Manierre.

3. Essex, (Mrs. T. A. Randolph), D. M. Smithwick.

7 started; 6 finished; also ran (order of finish): J. Mallory Nash's Detour, J. Mallory Nash; Capt. J. L. B. Bentley's Gillian, Grover Stevens; Thomas E. Jones' Hand Money, Gene Compton, pulled up; Gene Weymouth's Bones, Mr. Gene Weymouth; William Schlusemeyer, Jr.'s May-be, William Schlusemeyer, Jr. Scratched: Journey, Sliding Slide, Highest Award, Galway Ghost, Emerald Cross, Servex, Redmond.

THE BEN VENUE, abt. 3 mi., Open race for gentlemen. Minimum weight 200 lbs. Winner:



(Santa Anita Photo)

At this angle Mr. & Mrs. J. Eyraud's Karim (#2) does not look like the winner in the Christopher J. Fitzgerald 'Cap, however, he won by a head over A. Hirschberg's Berseem (with blinkers) with High Tide Stable's Fabulist just a head in back of Berseem.

b. g. (8) by Teddy's Comet—War Grey, by Man o'War. Breeder: Walter M. Jeffords.

1. Lancer, (Col. Lowell Reilly), Mr. Tom Caulk.

2. River Bed, (Dr. J. P. Rogers), Mr. Russell Dart.

3 started; 2 finished; pulled up: Randolph Rouse's Berry Hill, Randolph Rouse. Scratched: Not Bothered, Country Fair.

THE LEEWAY, abt. 3 mi., tim. Open race for gentlemen. Minimum weight 175 lbs. Winner: br. g. (8) by *Rhodes Scholar—My Bonnie, by Gallant Fox. Breeder: A. B. Hancock.

1. Highest Award, (John K. Shaw), D. M. Smithwick.

2. Lord Mildmay, (George Ohrstrom), William Carter.

3. *Journey, (Russell Arundel), A. P. Smithwick.

6 started; 5 finished; also ran (order of finish):

ish): Ned Voss' Emerald Cross, Mr. Fritz Burkhardt; W. L. Rochester, Jr.'s Conjure Ghost, W. L. Rochester, Jr.; pulled up, dropped dead: Chuck Ackerman's Piney Creek, Wally Holly. Scratched: Uncle Pierre, Essex, Gliding Slide.

THE COLONEL RICHARDS MEMORIAL, abt. 2 mi., tim. Open to riders who have not reached their 18th birthday. Catchweights. Horses or ponies. Winner: ch. g. (6) by *Persian Tapestry—Stimulate, by Stimulus. Breeder: Allan M. Hirsch.

1. Hamadan, (North Hill Stable), Miss Barbara Graham.

2. Tamer (Mr. & Mrs. D. W. Patterson), D. Wright Patterson, Jr.

3. Sailor Queen, (Mr. & Mrs. D. W. Patterson), Miss Elsa Mitchell.

4 started and finished; also ran: Penelope Sinclair's Betty Lou, J. Sinclair. No scratches.

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FOREIGN INTEREST

A list that comes from Ireland and is made up of the names of the horses from which the foreign entries for Belmont's International Steeplechase May 21st will be selected, was made public on March 17 by George D. Widener, president of Belmont Park. There are six Irish and four English horses on the list but the most significant part lies in the fact that the French, who sent none over for last year's race, head this year's list with ten possibilities. All the horses listed are in active training, some are racing now and one—Clair Soleiel accounted for the Championship Hurdle Challenge Cup at Cheltenham this month.

The list follows:

IRELAND

Beech Park, 1949, b. c. by "Nasrullah—Panastrid; Owner: J. McGrath. Trainer: Seamus McGrath.

Assynt, 1948, b. g. by Traxitheles II—

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Miss Loch; Owner: Lady Ursula Vernon. Trainer: D. J. Morgan.

Rose's Quarter, 1947, g. g., by Quarter-oon—Princess Rose; Owner: George Ansley. Trainer: T. W. Dreaper.

Stroller, 1948, b. c. by Casanova—Bathing Cover; Owner: B. Hamilton. Trainer: M. V. Obrien.

Vindore, 1949, b. g. by Cacador—French Fruit. Owner: J. A. Wood. Trainer: M. V. Obrien.

Nas Na Riogh, 1947 br. m., by Cariff—Breviary; Owner: Mrs. B. Lawlor. Trainer: T. Taaffe.

ENGLAND

Chatham, 1948, ch. g. by Admirals Walk—Portbelle; Owner W. Stephenson. Trainer: C. Knott.

Noholme, 1947, b. c. by Bokhtawar—Arcormut; Owner: S. Wootton. Trainer: Owner.

Big Bill, 1946, ch. g. by Hyacinthus—Irish Doll. Owner: Mrs. R. Craven. Trainer: P. Payne. Gallwey.

Clair Soleil, 1949, b. g. by Maravedis—La Divine. Owner: J. C. Judd. Trainer: H. R. Price.

FRANCE

Orleans, 1947, ch. g. by Oleander—Specieuse. Owner: R. Nachbaum. Trainer: V. Peraldi.

Le Phare, 1947, ch. g. by Norseman—Folincourt. Owner: J. Savard. Trainer: V. Peraldi.

Burlador, 1948, b. g. by Labrador—Bergamasque. Owner: G. Courtois. Trainer: T. R. Baril.

Lisa, 1949, b. m. by Sir Fellah—Licinia. Owner: G. Courtois. Trainer: T. R. Baril.

El Krim, 1947, b. by Ludonic—Le More Niabe 3rd. Owner: A. Weis Weiller. Trainer: Joseph Ginzbourg.

Montlouvre, 1948, b. by Tifinar—Malone. Owner: Maquis De Triquerville. Trainer: Noel Pelat.

Du Bon, 1948, b. g. by Bois Des Iles—Miramas. Owner: E. A. Toulemonde. Trainer: D. Sartini.

Farfatch, 1950, ch. g. by Parchouly—Far Fade. Owner: Edouard Guggenheim. Trainer: Maurice Wallon.

Aredien, 1950, by Le Moutard—Brazaville. Owner: A. Oulevay. Trainer: M. Plaine.

Maghreb, 1947, b. g. Maurepaf—Malvoisie. Owner: Vicountess Vigier. Trainer: Richard Carver.

AMERICAN AUTHOR HUNTING IN IRELAND

Mrs. Margaret Cabell Self, who recently added another book "Irish Adventure" to her imposing list of titles, has been hunting in Ireland for the past month. Last time she came to write her Irish experiences, but this time she

came to take coloured movies of Irish Hunts. These are intended to supplement a proposed lecture tour she will make among American hunt clubs.

She was accompanied by Miss Charlotte Nichols and Mrs. J. A. Blackwood, both members of the Metamora Hunt Club, Michigan.

They hunted with the Limerick Foxhounds, the Scarteen Black-&Tans and with the Croom and Stonewall Harriers before coming to Dublin. They went out with the Galway Blazers but snow caused the meet to be cancelled.

They intended hunting with the Wards and the Meaths and then going south to the United Hunt in County Cork and attending the point-to-points of the Stonewall Harriers and the Limerick Hunt, but these were cancelled also owing to the snow.

How they finished their hunting trip before leaving Shannon Airport on 3rd. March is anybody's guess.

The cancellation of ten point-to-point meetings and several regular race meetings, as well as the wholesale cancellation of hunt meets by almost every hunt club in Ireland, is the best indication of the appalling weather conditions during the second half of February.

—Stanislaus Lynch

POLO ENTHUSIAST

Silver haired Leo Hulseman, from Winnetka, Illinois, is one of the most picturesque figures in polo today. At Santa Barbara he has a string of 15 very fine polo mounts for the spring games. He plays or practices every day possible. Leo plays wherever there is polo—Hinsdale, Oak Park, Libertyville, West Palm Beach, Santa Barbara, or what have you, using the planes to keep his business engagements, flying sometimes as much as 6000 miles for three games. —M. B.

SIR GORDON RICHARDS' SON WED IN IRELAND

Peter Richards, son of Sir Gordon and Lady Richards was married in the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Foxrock, County Dublin on Saturday 19th. February, to Miss Rosario O'Driscoll, daughter of a County Kildare doctor.

It was a "white" wedding in more ways than one, as the capricious Irish weather provided a carpet of snow for the bridal party and the 400 guests. Squads of police had to control the huge crowds of well-wishers. —S. L.

NEBRASKA H. C. A.

The Nebraska Horse Clubs Association met in February at the Grand Island Saddle Club with twenty-seven of the fifty-four member clubs represented. An official welcome was extended by the president of the Grand Island Club, Bill Green. The Association president, Miles Hart of Cozad, responded to the welcome and conducted the business meeting.

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Officers elected to serve the Association during 1955 are: president, Karl Grosshans of Plattsmouth; vice president, Bill Foreman of Beatrice; secretary, Mrs. Glenn Terryberry of Louisville; and treasurer, Mrs. Bill Foreman. The business of the Association will be conducted by these officers and a board consisting of one director from each member club.

INCORRECT

"On page 34 of the February 25th issue your writer, M. S. writes on National Western Highlights, and she states 'young Karen Phipps put in very commendable rides on her Booger Red and her sister's Royal Salute to win both first and second in the stake'.

"This is incorrect, as Comet ridden by Marynell Chambers placed second in both the hunter stake and the open hunter stake."—writes one of our subscribers.

BACK HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Morton W. (Cappy) Smith returned to Middleburg, Va. this past week from Southern Pines where they have been spending the winter months schooling this season's show candidates. The Smiths are making their permanent home in Middleburg where they recently purchased a new farm.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A board of directors meeting of the Warrenton Horse Show, Inc., was held on Friday, March 4th, to elect officers for 1955. The same slate of officers which directed the show in 1954 was unanimously re-elected. Mrs. Ruth Guitart is again the president, Herman Ullman, vice-president, Mrs. Ruth Kennedy, secretary, and Nelson Brittle, treasurer.

HOT BRICK

To keep out the cold some swear by a weather-defying drink known as a "hot-brick" and once described by Col. Frank L. Page, a notable foxhunter: "While the cook is preparing breakfast, call for a pot of boiling water. Take an ice-tea glass and put in a heaping teaspoonful of sugar and the same of butter. Then pour in the hot water, slowly, stirring all the while, until the glass is three-fourths full. That is all, except that a member whose vitality is low might possibly fill up the glass with a pony or two of something or other."

Racing Review

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into the second spot, Craigwood was next and First Cabin fourth.

Nance's Lad, under J. Choquette, drew out in the straight to win by 1½ lengths; First Cabin was second, the same distance ahead of Rouge Falcon, which had a half a length on Craigwood.

Worth \$9,400, the race brought Nance's Lad to \$15,300 for the year. He won his only start in 1954. It paid \$1,350.

The colt belongs to Hilton Dabson and C. J. Caithness. Dabson trains him and

also bred him. Dabson could ride him, too, if things should get tough, as Hilton was a pretty good man in the saddle a few season back.

The Appleton Handicap, 4th running, 1½ miles, 3-year-olds and up (March 12). Form prevailed as C. V. Whitney's **Fly Wheel** added the Appleton Handicap and made it three wins in a row. He won the Magic City the week before.

Favorably weighted at 116, the son of "Mahmoud, from the Firethorn mare, Flyweight, was held at 1.30 to 1 and never was in danger. He led from the break and registered by four lengths over Immense, the second choice. Sampan was only a nose farther behind in third place, and Helianthus another 2½ back in fourth. Hedley Woodhouse rode the winner.

Fly Wheel brought in \$11,250 making his 1955 total \$22,750.

The five-year-old horse won 5 races, was second once and third once in 13 starts last season. He earned \$38,110. His only stakes victory was in the Quaker City Handicap.

Sylvester Veitch trains Fly Wheel. Mr. Whitney bred him.

Lincoln Downs

The Providence Handicap, 1 mile, 3-year-olds and up (March 12). Exhibiting a decided liking for the heavy going, T. P. Morgan's **Ezio** ran away and hid from his field in the Providence. His margin was 12 lengths. Fife and Drum was second, Bank Coal, third and Slick Knight, fourth.

The victory was the third for Ezio in 4 1955 starts. He was third the other time out. The \$5,500 purse puts his earnings since January 1 at \$13,125.

He won \$14,475 in '54, through 3 wins, 5 seconds and 5 thirds in 21 tries.

He is trained by his owner and was bred by Mr. W. E. Clark.

Santa Anita

The Santa Barbara Handicap, 12th running, 1¼ miles, 3-year-olds and up (March 9). Ten good handicap performers came out for Santa Anita's next-to-the-last-day feature and the crowd made Joe Jones the favorite on the theory that he could catch Berseem in the last sixteenth. As there was no Imbros among the contestants, it didn't work out that way. Correspondent tried to push Berseem in the early running but only push-

ed himself right back to seventh place.

Berseem, under Johnny Longden, was still there at the end—with 1½ lengths to spare over Joe Jones. The latter was outrun early but got into the thick of things after running about six furlongs. Berseem still was sailing along in front and wouldn't quit.

Dawn Lark finished four lengths back of Joe Jones and Spring Count was next in line (fourth).

Mr. A. Hirschberg, proprietor of Berseem, collected \$16,700 for the effort of his five-year-old horse.

Porterhouse was in the race—officially—but turned in another disappointment.

Berseem, by "Bernborough—Little Priss, by Sweep All, shows 3 wins and a second in 5 starts this year. His earnings amount to \$28,125.

He earned \$81,720 in 1954, winning 7 times in 21 tries, running second 3 times and third once. Reggie Cornell trains for Mr. Hirschberg.

Mr. Charles T. Fisher bred Berseem.

El Camino Real Handicap, 1st running, 1¼ miles, 3-year-olds and up (March 10). El Camino Real means "the royal road" to people who understand Spanish, but it was translated as "the end" to the fans who attended the brilliant Santa Anita meeting.

Alidon, which stunned the English-speaking world by winning the San Luis Rey Handicap at fifty-something to one, did it again but at less than 2 to 1; and this time he did not have young Roy Lumm aboard. As it was recognized that Alidon had a chance, John Longden was in charge. Don't think Lumm was left out though. He straddled Blaze, which ran the first half mile in 45 seconds and would have been the winner if that was all there was to it.

Alidon picked up about where Blaze left off and drew out, as he galloped along, to a five-length win over the favored Novarullah. Rae's Reward was three-quarters of a length back of Novarullah and whipped Impulsivo by a head. Alidon's time, 1:58½, clipped 1½ seconds off the old mark.

A son of "Alibhai, from Donavol, by "Donatello II, Alidon is the property of Mr. Louis A. Mayer, the father of modern racing in California. Mr. Mayer's son-in-law, William Goetz bred the four-year-old gelding.

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Lynn Bogue Hunt was born in May, in Honeoye Falls, New York. He has never been good for anything else but drawing and painting the romantic drama of wild creatures about their daily business of living.

He first manifested this infection at about the age of four, when he began cutting recognizable silhouettes of birds and mammals from paper with the biggest pair of shears in the house.

This stage was soon followed by drawings in pencil and colored crayons done in about the same Cro-Magnon style as the cuttings. At school he fell in with a gang of like-minded boys who, to satisfy their desire for a close-up of the local birds, created a gun made of a piece of gas pipe—one end plugged with lead, a hole filed into the barrel and bound on a wooden stock with wire, with a screw at the butt of the barrel to keep it from kicking off the stock. The gun was fired by a paper pistol cap held over the priming hole by a couple of pins, and the cap was exploded by a corset steel fastened to the side of the stock. All you had to do was to pull back the steel with a bit of string and let go. Down came the catbird, oriole or robbin that happened to be in front of this deadly weapon. Where the powder and shot came from, Lynn never knew, but since one of the gang went to reform school soon after, the source of supply probably would not have borne inspection. None of the parents knew of the existence of the gun. It was kept hidden in the woodsnead. Then, one day, the barrel kicked off the stock and laid open the brow of one of the gang; which was the end of that gun. Anyway, the boys got plenty of birds and the young artist had the poor, beautiful things to paint from.

Learning taxidermy from a book is better than nothing, of course, but demonstration at the hands of old Doctor Griffin, a retired Methodist minister, who picked up a little addition to his annuity by mounting birds and household pets for the neighborhood, proved to be a much more rapid way to good results. Doctor Griffin was then eighty years old and had lived in southern Michigan since his childhood. The tales he told of the swarms of wild pigeons and of wood ducks and gray squirrels in such numbers they destroyed the young corn and had to be driven off by countryside organized hunts, and his stories of bears raiding the pigpens, and of deer destroying the gardens, were pretty heady stuff for the youngster.

He began to get calls to mount specimens for the householders and gunners of the region and, better still, to make portraits of parrots, parakeets, dogs, cats and once, of a rambunctious blooded ram which gave the young artist an inkling of what he was to go through in later years with prize dogs and horses and racing pigeons. Eventually he got a job on the art staff of the Detroit Free Press. This lasted three years, and what days those were! Illustrating stories for the Sunday edition, running to fires and boiler explosions, drawing portraits from photographs of eminent people in society, politics, the stage and whatnot; all in the midst of eight or ten other artists elbowing each other in a tiny room which was a hangout for any member of any other

department on the newspaper who wanted to sit a while, tell yarns and smoke. It was a case of get your work done in spite of it all, or else! So young Hunt learned to concentrate, create and get on with it no matter what went on—an asset which still stands him in good stead.

Eventually he went to New York. After a few months of the Art Students League, peddling his work and selling some of it meanwhile, the Union Metallic Cartridge Company discovered him and he began to do the advertising drawings and lithographed hangers, calendars and window displays for the gun and ammunition companies, which brought him prosperity and created the backbone of his fame among all gunners and wild life enthusiasts in the States and got many responses from all parts of the world—Europe, Australia, Malaya, South and Central America, Asia and Africa. He has had equal success as a painter of sporting magazine covers and as an illustrator of sporting books.

With all his work, he finds time for gunning and fishing from Nova Scotia to Cuba, the Bahamas, Bermuda and points west. Wherever he goes, the sketch box and the easel go with him. He paints the game fish as they come aboard, to get their rapidly changing colors. He gets the colors of the eyes, the feet and the bills of his game birds before they can fade, and above all, his studio is filled with sketches of landscapes and the sea where he finds the creatures he loves to picture; these, made on the spot to insure future accuracy in his paintings. One of the most interesting items of furniture in his studio is a big cedar

chest with the skins and extended wings of practically all the game birds of the United States.

The National Wildlife Federation was organized in 1937. Its basic motive was a union of all conservation interests in the national field, so that a united front might be presented as a bulwark against selfish or thoughtless exploitations of the resource backlog. A second motive was the development of an educational program which might reach into all the corners of the nation to bring home to the people of the interdependence of each natural resource upon the others, and their fundamental importance to American economy.

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